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Kowloon ...Dep.	6.40	8.05	9.10	10.00	12.00	1.15	2.15	4.35	5.45
Yamati ...Dep.	6.49	8.14	9.19	10.09	12.09	1.24	2.24	4.44	5.54
Shatin ...Dep.	7.01	8.26	9.31	10.21	12.21	1.36	2.36	4.56	6.06
Taipei ...Dep.	7.15	8.40	9.45	10.35	12.35	1.50	2.50	5.10	6.20
Taipei Market ...Dep.	7.20	8.45	9.50	10.40	12.40	1.55	2.55	5.15	6.25
Fanning ...Dep.	7.30	8.55	10.00	10.50	12.50	2.05	3.05	5.25	6.35
Shenzhen ...Dep.	7.41	9.06	10.11	11.01	1.01	2.11	3.11	5.31	6.41
Shenzhen ...Arr.	7.41	9.06	10.11	11.01	1.01	2.11	3.11	5.31	6.41
Canton ...Arr.	11.50	5.38	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

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COLONEL DRURY'S DREAM.

VISION OF SCHOOL 300 YEARS HENCE.

THE AUTHOR OF THE FLAG LIEUTENANT.

When Plymouth College celebrated its jubilee a series of events included a "special service" of commemoration in the morning at St. Andrew's Church, followed by a luncheon. Lieut.-Col. W. P. Drury gave a reception in the evening.

At the luncheon Lieut.-Col. Drury gave a delightful forecast of what Plymouth College might be like in 300 years' time, when inventions used to-day and some dimly imagined may be used for reaching school and for the dissemination of knowledge.

World On Top Gear.

"It is not of the past, but of the future that we think to-day," said Lieut.-Col. W. P. Drury, himself an old pupil of the school, in a speech at the luncheon, in the course of which he drew a futuristic picture from his imagination of the effects of the advance of science upon the college and its students of the future.

Col. Drury, who responded to the toast "O.P.M. Club," said he had the uncomfortable conviction that he was the oldest man present who was educated at the Plymouth High School, which was the maiden name of the Plymouth College before it was merged with Marnham School. He had already been at an earlier school, and the two were inseparably blended in his mind, both with an equal share in his affections, though his interests in each were of a widely different character.

My interest in Plymouth College lies, perhaps, in the opposite direction. When I was a boy I had no past at all. Even to-day it has only seen two-score years of history pass. I can imagine the spirit of my old school standing beside me in rough trunk hose whispering "Why this potter about a paltry 50 years. I think only in centuries," to which I reply: "It is not of the past but of the future that we are mainly thinking to-day."

Visualize Plymouth College 300 years hence—it almost paralyses the imagination. The world already seems to be racing on its top gear, what it will have attained when the centuries have passed and progress of 50 years have passed seems almost impossible to conjecture.

"I hear in my dreams the school bell ringing, and see the sky dark with hurrying boys. For the schoolboy of 1877 no longer travels 'like snail' unwillingly to school. He flies, unwillingly it may be, yet flies—not in an aeroplane, but with his own wings propelled by the last word in pocket motors fixed between his shoulders."

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"I see the magic boat, a little grimy perhaps, alight before the now completed block of buildings. I watch them detach and park their wings in the aviary; ascend by prayer-book, reviewed out of recognition, and broadcast to all schools by the Archbishop of Canterbury before dispersing to the classrooms. But I see no masters: they have discarded the old cap and gown for dungaree suits, and are concealed within fireproof iron boxes, from which they control the modern forces of education."

"The kineema, the loud speaker, the microphone, the dictaphone, television, and dozen other inventions of a mechanical age have rendered the presence of the form master unnecessary, and idlers are eased by an electric switch operated by an omniscient head master from his eyrie on the roof."

But, however wildly one may speculate on the means by which it will be attained, I am convinced that my old school has a great future before it. I should like to think that fifty years hence some subject of Edward IX. or George VI., rambling in a suburban garden, may point to a weather-beaten stone and say, "I gather from old newspaper files that the fellow lying there wrote a number of long forgotten works and plays in his time. But his one claim to distinction is that he was one of the first handful of boys to be educated at that famous old school founded in Victoria's reign, and now one of the glories of the West—Plymouth College."

FAMOUS C.I.D. MAN RETIRES.

BRIDES IN THE BATH CASE ECHO.

NOTABLE MURDERS.

LONDON, Dec. 27th.

The Criminal Investigation Department at New Scotland-yard will lose, on the last day of this year, the services of Superintendent Arthur Neil, who has served longer in the department than any other officer, and has earned the distinction of being one of the most skilful detectives of modern times.

He is retiring after completing thirty-nine and a half years' service, thirty-five of which have been spent in the detective force. During that long period he has never been absent a single day on sick leave.

Arthur Neil was famous long before he became one of the "Big Four"—the superintendents who have charge of the four areas into which the Metropolitan Police district is divided for detective purposes.

He has received during his career no fewer than 51 awards and commendations from judges and magistrates, but even this praiseworthy record fails to reflect the full measure of his work.

No Grudge.

All classes of criminals—burglars, house-breakers, pickpockets, horse-thieves, confidence tricksters, and murderers—have passed through his hands, and it can be said that not one has ever borne him a grudge.

Among the notorious murderers this great detective arrested were Chapman, the Russian publican who poisoned George Smith, who drowned his three brides in a bath. Both these men were absolutely devoid of any sense of shame, and died on the gallows without a word of remorse.

When Smith was arrested he said to Neil, "You're a blithering fool. You'll never convict me, so get on with it." Neil did get on with it, and by sheer hard work he established the guilt of this most dangerous and callous criminal.

Neil looks like a jovial British farmer. He has a rugged, sunny face with twinkling eyes, betokening a keen sense of humour, and thick curly hair covers his head. He rides a horse with the firmness of a woman.

FAMOUS ALBERTA RANCH SOLD.

THE PRINCE AND THE "CATTLE BARON."

The famous "Bar U" ranch in Southern Alberta, where the Prince of Wales stayed with the late owner, Mr. George Lane, last of the picturesque "cattle barons" of the departed West of the old cattle-ranching days, has been sold. The price, \$150,000, makes this one of the largest land deals in the history of Southern Alberta. The ranch, 86,000 acres of wooded and leased land, is the largest private owned ranch in the Province.

It was in 1910 that the Prince of Wales, in his first visit to Western Canada, stayed at the late Mr. Lane's guest at "Bar U." Visitors always enjoyed the cattleman's bluff "Hey! Prince!" when he wished to call anything to the notice of his guest. On the ranch at the time of its sale were 6,000 head of cattle and a herd of 500 pure-bred Percheron horses—one of the finest Percheron herds in Canada.

Coming to Alberta behind a herd of Montana steers and Texas "long-horns" in the early days, the young cow-puncher, George Lane, determined that he would one day own a ranch in Western Canada. Later the dream became a reality, and young Lane built up a tremendous cattle and horse business there. Since his death the ranch has been managed by Mr. A. C. MacLean, a former Minister of Public Works in the Alberta Government, himself one of the "old-timers" of the West. The ranch and stock have been bought by another "Western character," "Pat" Burns, millionaire meat packer, of Calgary, a life-long friend of the late owner.

DIARY OF EVENTS.

To-day.

China New Year Day. Shanghai and Manila Interport Golf Tennis day.

Football: China New Year Meeting. Fanning Hunt: China New Year Paper Hunt (January Cup), meet at Kwantai Stables, 11 a.m.

Cricket League: Division II: University 2nd XI v. R.E. Friendly Cricket: H.K.C.C. v. United Services (second day); Kowloon C.C. Inter-Club match; Married v. Single at Police R.C.; Craigengower C.C. v. Club de Recreio.

Football: Taihook Club v. Taihook Chinese Club, H.K.F.C. ground, 3.30 p.m.; S.C.A.A. v. Royal Navy, Caroline Hill, 4 p.m.

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.; Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30-6.30 p.m.; Cafe Regent, 5-6.30 p.m.

Hockey: Navy v. Army (Sim Shield).

Cafe Regent dinner dance, 8 p.m. Queen's Theatre: "Out All Night."

World Theatre: "The Bat" (5.15 p.m. and 9.15 p.m.); "The True Love," Chinese Drama (12.00, 2.30 p.m. and 7.15 p.m.).

Star Theatre: "The Winning of Barbara Worth."

Principal Malls: Inward: U.S.A., Canada, etc. (President Cleveland).

Tuesday.

Golf: China New Year Meeting. Annual Ceremony at the H.K. Chinese Chamber of Commerce, 3 p.m.

Cricket: H.E.C.C. v. United Services (third day).

Football: S.C.A.A. v. H.M.S. Titania, Caroline Hill, 4 p.m.

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Star Theatre: "Fine Manners." Principal Malls: Outward: Canada, America, etc.; Europe via Victoria, B.C., and via Siberia (President Lincoln), noon.

Wednesday.

Interport Golf: Hong Kong v. Shanghai (Foursomes).

Fanning Hunt: Meet Mr. Souza's Bungalow, 2.45 p.m.

Sanitary Board Meeting, 4.15 p.m.

H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.) inspects Boy Scouts, and presents Prince of Wales' Banner, Government House, 4.30 p.m.

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.; Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30-6.30 p.m.; Cafe Regent, 5-6.30 p.m.

Hockey: Club v. R.A.F. (Sim Shield).

Extraordinary General Meeting H.K. Philharmonic Society, Cathedral Hall, 5.30 p.m.

"Burn's Night" Dinner, Volunteer Headquarters, 8 p.m.

St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club Fancy Dress Carnival Dance, Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 8.30 p.m.

Cafe Regent dinner dance, 8 p.m. Queen's Theatre: "We're in the Navy Now."

World Theatre: "Volcano" (5.15 p.m. and 9.15 p.m.); "The True Love," Chinese Drama (12.00, 2.30 p.m. and 7.15 p.m.).

Star Theatre: "Fine Manners." Principal Malls: Outward: Canada, America, etc.; Europe via Vancouver, B.C., and via Siberia (Empress of Asia), 10 a.m.; Europe via Marseilles, etc. (Antenor), 10.30 a.m.

Thursday.

Australia Day. Interport Golf: Hong Kong v. Manila (Foursomes).

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.; Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30-6.30 p.m.; Cafe Regent, 5-6.30 p.m.

Honora May Institute Musicale: "French Modern Music," 5.30 p.m. Cafe Regent dinner dance, 8 p.m. Queen's Theatre: "College."

World Theatre: "The Gold Rush."

Star Theatre: "The Wedding Song."

Friday.

Interport Golf: Shanghai v. Manila (Foursomes).

U.S.R.O. Tennis Tournament: Semi-finals of open events.

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Continental telephone service has also been largely improved. During the year direct lines have been opened between London and Germany, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, and Austria. It is reported that the transatlantic wireless telegraph service is to be put into further use each day; in September there were 148 calls; in October, 162; in November, 202; the figures for December, not yet available, will probably be higher still, on account of Christmas greeting calls.

Hurriedly stated, the Post Office's attitude, Grimsby, is that the wireless communication system is being equipped with radio telegraph being arranged as quick as possible.—*Morning Post*.


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JAPANESE DIET DISSOLVED.

"VOTE OF NON-CONFIDENCE PRECEDES THE STEP."

JAPAN'S FOREIGN POLICY.

GENERAL ELECTION NEXT MONTH.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TOKYO, January 21st.

The Diet has been dissolved. This followed a vote of non-confidence moved by the Opposition following the New Year recess.

OSAKA, January 21st.

The dissolution of the Diet is welcomed as the proper procedure. The Seiyukai (Government) with 159 votes against the Minseitō (Opposition) with 222 votes has no majority in the Diet and therefore Baron Tanaka is unable to carry out his policies.

The Seiyukai's success or failure at the forthcoming elections depends on their ability to secure the vote of the masses who have newly acquired the franchise and show unrest at rising living costs and a tendency to use a new broom.

Special Session.

The law requires a special session to be held within five months. This is expected in April or May.

As the dissolution came before the Budget was passed the current fiscal year's budget is automatically re-enforced. Consequently the special session may probably be very brief, merely passing the Coronation estimates.

Though the Government's main platform is the transfer of the land tax no real issue exists between the two parties.

Universal Suffrage.

Particular interest attaches to the coming election as it is the first under the universal manhood suffrage by which 10,000,000 new voters ballot in the Empire.

The Labour Party claims the national election for the first time, although it is expected to gain only a few seats.

The expenses of the candidates are variously estimated at from 20,000,000 to 50,000,000 yen.

The dissolution and election, while not especially pleasing to business interests owing to interference with economic readjustments, is not expected seriously to affect the money market or trade.

Though it has been generally expected that the Diet would be dissolved shortly after the reassembly it was by no means certain till this morning, when the Opposition announced its intention to introduce a vote of non-confidence.

The Government forestalled the actual vote by dissolving the Diet as soon as the Finance Minister had finished his speech.

China Policy.

The Opposition's denunciation of the Government is due to dissatisfaction over the China policy and the measures adopted for the readjustment of the financial and economic situation. It is particularly held that the Government was responsible for the outbreak of the anti-Japanese movement in China and the Opposition denounced the Shantung expedition as an unforfeitable blunder.

It has been decided to hold the General Election on February 20th next.

Foreign Policy.

Speaking in the Upper House Baron Tanaka outlined the foreign policy, devoting three-fifths of his speech to China.

Deploping the continued disturbances, he pointed out the serious effect from an economic viewpoint and warned that Japan was unable to tolerate any endangerment of the lives or property of foreign residents and economic interests of the Japanese.

He reiterated that Japan does not intend to interfere in domestic affairs in China, but emphasized that the Government will not hesitate to take proper measures to insure her rights and interests and safeguard the lives and property of her nationals.

Continuing Baron Tanaka referred to the "marked tendency in different parts of the country repeatedly to violate treaties" which, he said, Japan was unable to overlook.

Referring to Manchuria, he stated: "Maybe it is necessary to take these provinces into special consideration" owing to the vital necessity of maintaining peace and order in a territory so close to Japan, but he promised that Japan would continue to respect and observe the principle of the open door and equal opportunity, and stated they would gladly co-operate with the Chinese authorities and people for the economic development of those regions.

Armaments Question.

Touching upon the question of disarmament Baron Tanaka regretted the failure of the three-power conference at Geneva and emphasized that Japan's basic principle is to "contribute to the security of world peace and lighten the burdens on the peoples without losing sight of the safety of our national defence."

(Continued on next column.)

DR. INGE AND RACIAL DECAY.

"THROWING AWAY THE CREAM."

"STOCK RENEWED FROM SLUMS."

OXFORD.

"There is not the smallest doubt that if the state of society favours a rapid increase in the children of slum dwellers and a decrease in the sons of professional men, it is a very serious thing for this country," said the Dean of St. Paul's, speaking on "Breed and National Life" at the Oxford Luncheon Club. What importance, asked Dean Inge, ought to be attached to breed as compared with tradition and environment?

"Critics of eugenics who say that we want to establish the methods of the stud farm are simply prejudiced. Eugenics is a difficult science, only yet in a tentative stage. Those who study the subject are the last to advocate legislation. That is not true of America, where they are very fond of legislative experiments. They have already in some States introduced an exceedingly drastic eugenics measure of sterilising persons believed to be undesirable as parents. Over 6,000 operations have been performed, chiefly in California."

Children Of Professional Classes Better Endowed By Nature.

The present preponderance in the birth-rate among the professional classes over that among the professional classes was, however, a new and very grave danger. Until the last, two generations there was no reason to think the birth-rate in the more highly endowed classes was lower than that in the slums. Many people were up in arms at once if one assumed any natural superiority in the educated classes over the uneducated, but if there was anything at all in heredity one must believe that those who by their own energy and ability had won some kind of success were more likely to have distinguished children than those who had failed in life. That was not only a matter of theory. Careful tests had been made upon school children in regard to their intellectual endowment, and the results showed that the children of fairly successful professional men were better endowed by nature than those of hand workers. The results in all cases showed that the former were undoubtedly superior. The difference was not very great, but it certainly existed. Moreover, it must be remembered that these differences were cumulative, and if the differential birth-rate continued to favour the increase of the inferior type the change for the worse in the endowment of our people would be very great.

Prolific Slum Dwellers.

Indeed, at present, added the Dean, the highest birth-rate was that of feeble-minded women. Next came the dwellers in the worst slums of our large towns, and next to them the miners. At the other end of the scale, where the birth-rate was so small that it did not nearly keep up the numbers, the lowest was among the doctors, then the ministers of religion, and then the teaching profession. "Without exalting my own class, I think you would all agree," he said, "that there is no section of the community which is better endowed, physically, intellectually, and morally, than the members of the learned professions. What we are doing is to take off the cream of each generation and throw it away." One reason, he admitted, was that young men in the learned professions were so badly paid that they could not afford to marry early, while the older men were overpaid, like himself. (Laughter.)

Marry Old Or Young?

It was still a disputed question whether people ought to marry young. The Dean added that many distinguished men were the sons of middle-aged people, but on the other hand, Napier, the discoverer of logarithms, was the son of a boy of 18. The politicians would not help in solving the problem. "They only realise that the unborn have no votes," said the Dean. "We have to realise that they have rights, and that the conditions of our people 100 years hence are just as important as those of to-day."

Turning to Japan's relations with America Baron Tanaka regretted that the "question of discriminatory legislation against Japanese immigration still remains unsolved" though he was pleased with the mutual understanding between the two peoples, "which is essential to the solution of such questions" and which was gradually increasing.

In the course of his speech he referred to the "growing unity" and gradual development of trade with the Soviet and the satisfactory conclusion of a treaty of commerce with Germany, also the agreement with France regarding residence and navigation in Indo-China.

CRIME FORETOLD IN DREAMS.

NEW BOOK AMPLIFIES FREUD'S WORK.

HISTORIC CASES.

VIENNA, December 10th.

Professor Ignaz Jaesowsky, following on the classic work of Dr. Siegmund Freud on dream interpretation, "Traumdeutung," says the *Vienna Wiener Journal*, is about to publish a book called "The Book of Dreams" which, by its careful records of historic examples of remarkable dreams, amplifies the work of Freud.

The chapter on dreams in connection with criminal acts is of particular interest. Dr. Peter Muevland, the great Dutch mathematician, contributes an authentic account of a man whose continued warnings in dreams that a horrible fate awaited him did not save him from being murdered exactly as he had dreamed.

The man, a watchmaker, of Loele, was found in the canal at Amsterdam, bound hand and foot. He was removed alive from the water, but died a few hours later, after uttering the words, "The brutes, the brutes!" Among his effects were found two pieces of paper, on one of which was written—

"This night I have had a terrible dream: I dreamed that two men seized me, robbed me, tied my hands and feet, and threw me into the water. This is the fourth time in five weeks that I have had this terrible dream. May God protect me!"

"Something Terrible."

On another piece of paper was written, "Should something terrible happen to me, and should I lose my life in consequence, I pray those who find this paper to give news of my fate to my father, who is a town councillor in Loele. The murderers were never discovered."

A somewhat similar case is that of a young apprentice in Hamburg, who dreamed that he was robbed and murdered on the way to Bergedorf, and told his master of the dream.

"That is a strange coincidence," remarked the master, "because it so happens that to-day I want you to take some money for me to Bergedorf."

The apprentice became alarmed on the way to the village, returned to the last village, and asked the local policeman to send some one with him until he had passed a certain lonely corner of the woods. The policeman sent a farm lad with him, but as soon as they had passed the dangerous spot, and the youth had gone back, the apprentice felt so scared that he returned to the village and asked the gendarme to send some one with him as far as Bergedorf itself.

The farm lad was detailed for the duty again, and on the way the apprentice, now reassured, told his companion what he had dreamed. He had hardly finished the recital when the youth bent down, picked up a stone, and murdered the apprentice with it.

Death Sentence.

Another curious case was that of the Düsseldorf workman named Schramm, who was condemned to death in consequence of a dream. The body of an unknown man had some time before been taken from the Rhine and buried without identification. There were two bullet wounds in his head, and a stone was tied by a cord to his neck.

Six months later Schramm was sleeping in a common cell with other prisoners—he had been arrested on some minor charge—when he cried aloud in his sleep, "Throw him into the Rhine. Tie a rope round his neck first and attach a stone."

The other prisoners awoke him and asked what he had dreamed. He replied that he had dreamed of a murder committed on a workman named Massen, in which he had actually taken part.

One of the prisoners told the story to the governor, the body of the unidentified man was exhumed, and was found to be that of Massen. Schramm afterwards denied that he had had anything to do with the murder itself, saying that it was all the phantasy of a dream, but sufficient evidence was forthcoming to convince a Düsseldorf jury of his guilt, and he was condemned to death.

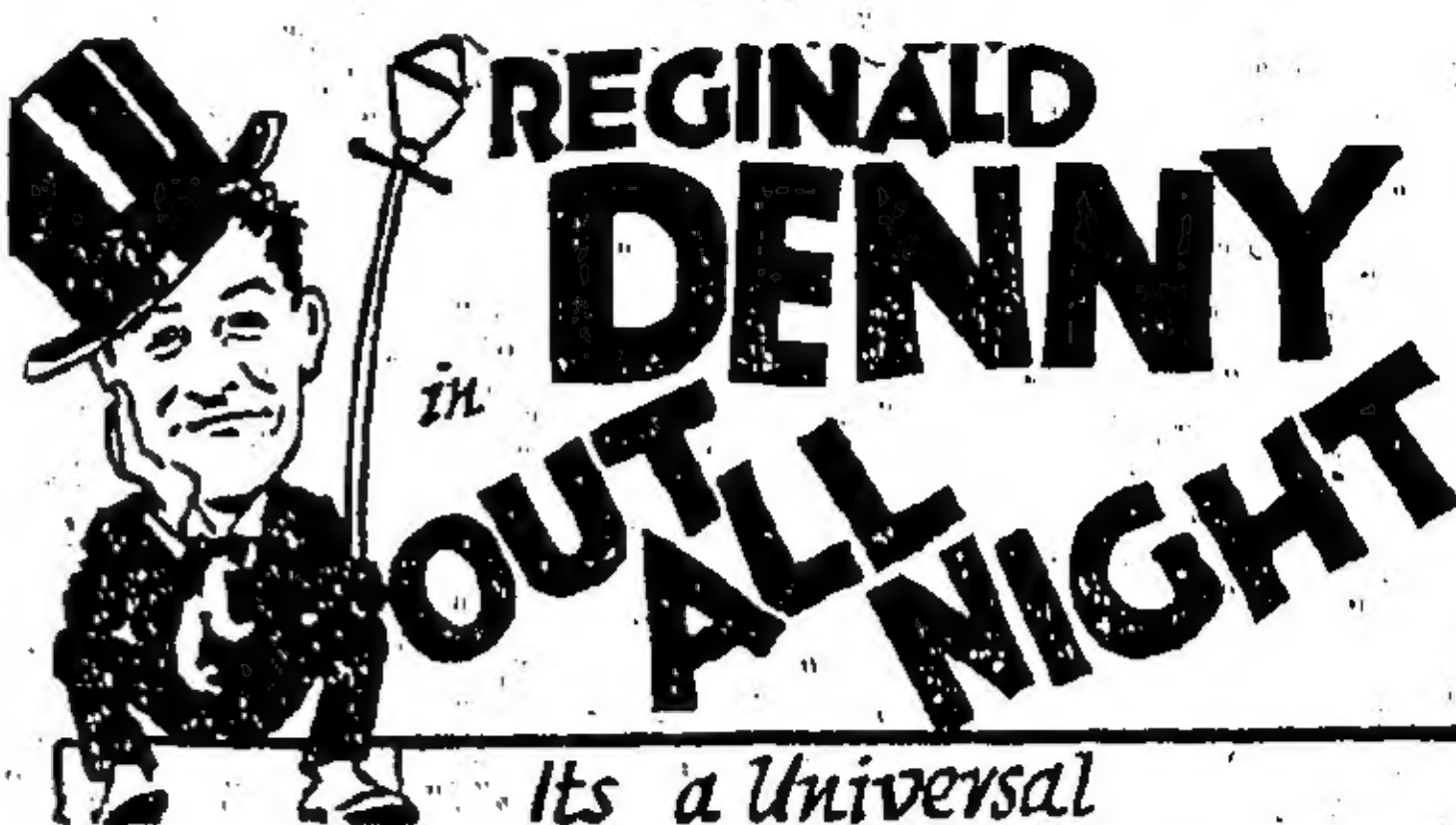


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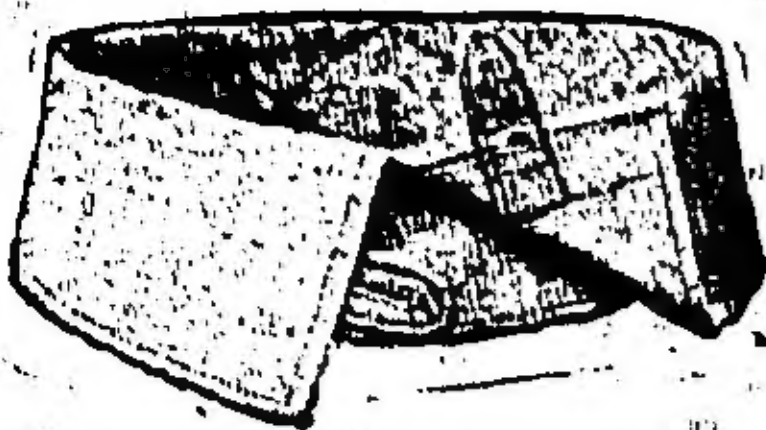
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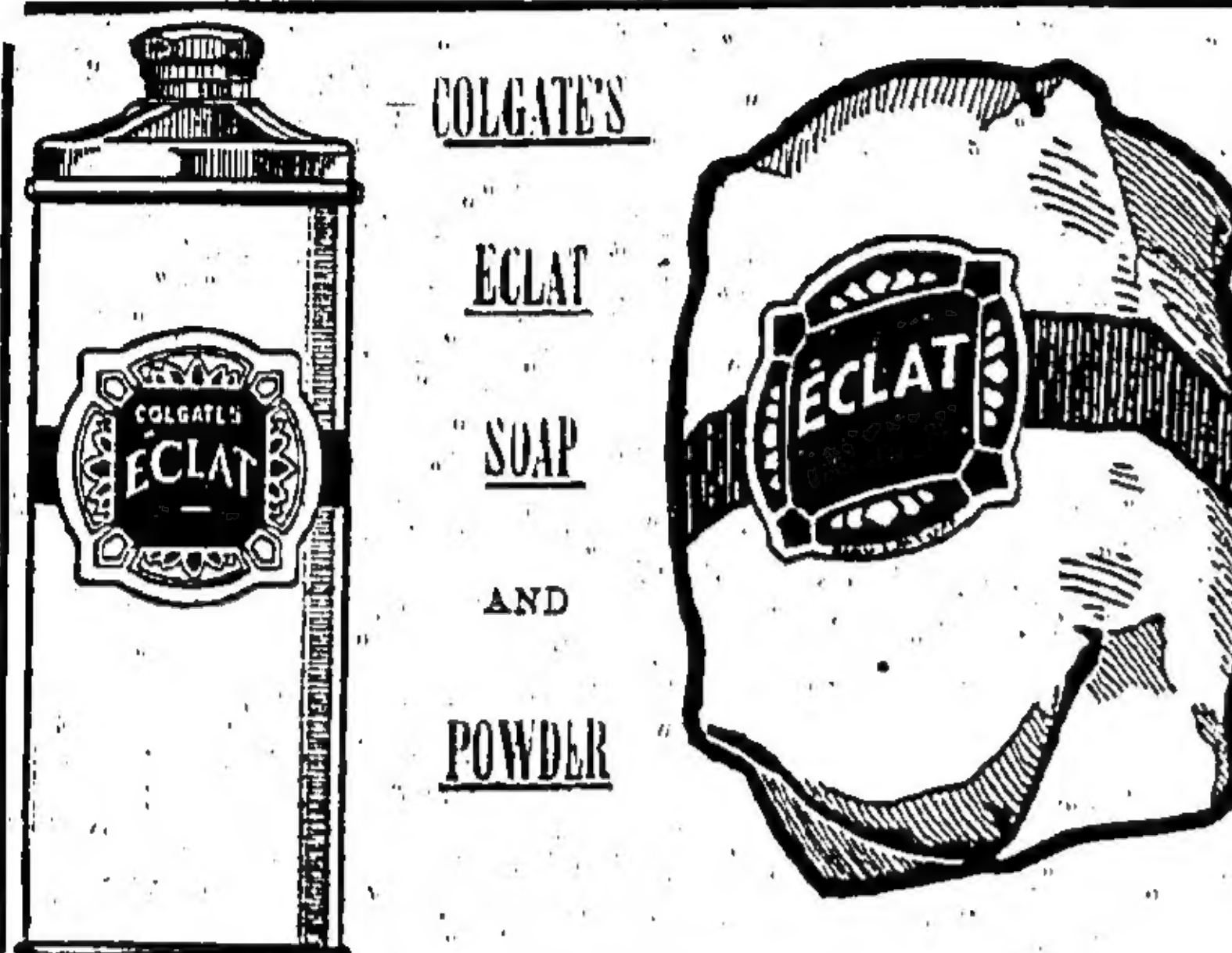
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MR. COURTICE POUNDS.

DIES A FEW DAYS AFTER
BENEFIT PERFORMANCE.

CREATOR OF MANY GILBERT
SULLIVAN PARTS.

London papers to hand give interesting accounts of the career of the late Mr. Courtice Pounds, one of the original Savoyards, whose death took place on December 21st.

The *Evening News* states that Mr. Charles Courtice Pounds died at his home at Kingston-on-Thames. He had been seriously ill for several weeks.

His death has occurred less than ten days after his benefit matinee at His Majesty's Theatre. His illness prevented him from being present at the performance, the receipts at which totalled more than £3,000.

In a letter from him, which was read on the stage, Mr. Pounds wrote: "I hope with all my heart that a kind fate will permit me to appear before you and please you again."

His admirers—and all who saw him were his admirers—will grieve that the hope cannot be fulfilled.

The First Quorus.

Courtice Pounds was 65. His mother was a well-known singer, and from boyhood it was hoped that music, particularly singing, would be his career. As a child he was chorister at St. Stephen's, Kensington, and at the Italian Church, Hatton-garden. Later he returned to St. Stephen's as solo tenor.

His first appearance on the stage was at the Savoy Theatre—afterwards to be the scene of so many of his triumphs—where he appeared in the chorus of "Patience" in 1881.

This began a long and brilliant association with the Gilbert and Sullivan operas. He toured as principal in "Princess Ida," "The Mikado," and "Ruddigore" in this country, the United States, Germany and Austria. All this time his reputation was steadily growing, and in 1888 he returned to the Savoy as Colonel Fairfax in "The Yeoman of the Guard."

Famous parts which will always be associated with his name are Marco in "The Gondoliers," Ange Pitou in "Madame Angot," Lancelotti in "La Poupée," Papillon in "The Duchess of Dantzig," and Ali Baba in "Chu-Chin-Chow." He continued to play this part almost throughout the record run of nearly five years.

Five Savoyards.

On December 2nd, this year, Mr. Courtice Pounds gave a delightful interview to the *Evening News*. He was asked about early days at the Savoy, and said that he thought only four other original Savoyards remained—Jessie Bond, Geraldine Uhlar, Sybil Grey and Durward Lely.

He told of his appearance in the chorus during the first run of "Patience." He was only 19, but he craved for better things. He had sung publicly from the age of 10 and had been trained at the Royal Academy of Music.

The result of Mr. Pounds's impatience was that he signed a contract to appear with the Christy Minstrels. When D'Oyly Carte heard of this he reproached the young man for his hastiness. They went then in a hansom cab to Sullivan's flat and the composer put the singer through his paces. After that Pounds understood Lely, as the Duke of Dunstable.

"Sparkling Eyes." Eight years later, when he was already famous, Sullivan told him one day that he thought he had written "a good tune" for him, and added: "I know you don't like high notes, but I've taken you to a flat in an ascending scale."

When Courtice Pounds sang the song over to Sullivan at his flat, Sullivan asked him if he would sing it again over the telephone to a friend. The song was "Take a Pair of Sparkling Eyes," which he made famous on the first night of the production of "The Gondoliers."

Once he travelled specially from Manchester to Southampton to sing to an old man lying seriously ill in bed.

For five years Courtice Pounds delighted London audiences in "Chu Chin Chow," in which he played Ali Baba.

His last appearance in London was in "Lilac Time." He leaves a widow and four children.

GREAT FEAT OF SURGERY.

BOY'S BRAIN LIFTED BY OPERATOR.

SIGHT RESTORED.

A successful operation by means of which a boy blinded and paralysed in one side of his body as the result of his accident has recovered both his sight and the use of his body, is reported from Sydney, Australia, by the *Central News*.

The operation, it is stated, has just taken place at St. Vincent's Hospital and is claimed to be unique in the annals of surgery and at any rate unparalleled in the history of Australian surgery.

The boy who was just thirteen had been hugging with two companions. His horse stumbled and threw him and the boy's head struck a stump of a tree with great force. When his mother arrived on the scene she found her son apparently lifeless, it being scarcely possible to feel the heart beat. He was taken to Cowra Hospital and lay there for three weeks, blind and with one side of the body paralysed, all hope of his ever recovering his sight being abandoned.

Delirium.

The boy was then moved to St. Vincent's Hospital, where the left side of the brain was completely lifted. For three weeks he remained in a state of delirium away from a tube in his head draining away the clot. The boy's eyesight has been regained and the use of his paralysed side has returned. He is now making an uneventful recovery.

Commenting on the case yesterday to a *Morning Post* representative, a brain specialist said:

"Details are wanting to enable a definite opinion to be formed on the case. The removal of a clot from the surface of the brain, with restoration of functions where paralysis and loss of sight had occurred, is by no means an uncommon operation, but in this case the unique feature seems to have been the length of time that elapsed before the removal of the clot."

"I do not understand what is meant by 'lifting the brain,' unless it be merely the raising of the one hemisphere while the clot was being scooped out. The situation of the clot is not mentioned. I think it must have been under the frontal or temporal sphenoidal lobe, as I cannot believe that a clot at the base of the brain could have been removed without a fatal issue."

WOMAN POLICE SERGEANT'S PLUCK.

TWO ALLEGED MOTOR THIEVES TACKLED.

A woman police-sergeant who tackled single-handed and at night two alleged motor-car thieves in Hyde Park was complimented by the Marylebone Police Court magistrate, Mr. Hay Halkett.

Before the court were Ernest James Fielder, commercial traveller, and Percival James, engineer, of Oakley-square, St. Pancras, N.W., who were charged with stealing and receiving a motor-car value £100, from Manchester-square, belonging to Mrs. G. Amis, of Thornton-way, Golders Green, N.W.

It was stated that the car was painted dark blue, but when it was recovered a week later it had been painted dark brown and the number altered.

The woman sergeant, Violet Butcher, stated that at 9.25 p.m. on November 30th she saw a car standing unattended on the North Carriage Road, Hyde Park, contrary to regulations. It had no lights and the licence was missing.

At 10.10 p.m. James, wearing a motor cap and goggles, came from the direction of Marble Arch and told her that the car belonged to a friend who was having refreshments in Oxford-street. Asked why there was no licence, he produced one from his pocket.

She took it and told him that the particulars did not correspond with the car.

Alone All The Time.

Mr. Hay Halkett: You were alone all this time?—Yes, sir.

This was rather a risky job for you, wasn't it?—Well, I don't know.

It came off all right, apparently, but I think you ought not to be employed in the park by yourself at night dealing with cases of this sort. I think your work should be confined to a more peaceful sphere.

Continuing her evidence, Sergeant Butcher said that when Fielder came up he said James was the driver.

Mr. Hay Halkett: You had no idea the car was stolen?—I know something was wrong. A constable, she added, who had gone in search of the driver returned and the two men were arrested.

Mr. Hay Halkett: You have done admirably, sergeant. Both men were remanded.

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A DAUGHTER'S DEATH.

60-YEARS-OLD MOTHER SENT FOR TRIAL.

Susan Eliza Turner, aged 60, a charwoman, of Elsted-street, Walworth, S.E., was charged on remand at Lambeth with the manslaughter of her daughter, Susan Eliza Turner, a middle-aged woman, by gross neglect in failing to procure necessary aid and proper medical attention.

Dr. A. R. Moore, senior medical officer at the Newington Institution, said that the condition of the daughter was such that it could not have escaped the notice of any reasonable person. There had been neglect, and it had undoubtedly accelerated death.

The relieving officer, who arranged for the removal of the woman, said that the smell of the room was "absolutely shocking."

A witness who was acquainted with the daughter described her as "very lazy and dirty."

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Canton's year-end settlements have been a great deal better than was expected. The recent rumours of "Red" plots and of reverses in the East River district have not materialised and the consequence was a renewal of confidence. Despite the recent crisis and sufferings plenty of holiday goods were sold, the bazaars and shops were well stocked and the crowds seemed to have the usual amount of money to spend. During the last few days Canton has at last been showing signs of reviving from the effects of the Red terror.

The troops and officials have been paid most of the arrears due to them, and the knowledge that this had been done relieved fears of mutiny by the former.

Military headquarters denies the truth of the reported losses in the vicinity of Swatow. There is an under-current of rivalry between the respective supporters of Li Tsai Hsin, and Chen Ming-sha, and partisans of the former who have more eagerness than discretion are said to have spread these rumours. General Li Tsai Hsin's official report is that the situation in Kwangtung is "well under control."

Canton Authorities, on New Year's Eve, issued an order prohibiting a "rush" on native banks, forbidding depositors of funds put in before December 11th last to draw more than 10 per cent. In practice, however, the banks did not carry out the order when "dealing with friends."

There is good deal of speculation in notes going on owing to a reported decision of the Government to redeem in full. So far the Central Bank has not redeemed any of its issued notes.

The city is being strongly patrolled and the authorities are taking no chances over the holiday. Their attitude has done a lot to promote the moderately satisfactory state of affairs that now prevails. Hatred of the "Reds" is noticeably strong though fears are expressed that the Government may be led by this into an unduly reactionary policy.

MOUNTED INFANTRY
DINNER.PRESENTATION TO STAFF-
SERGEANT SHADBOLT.

The Mounted Infantry Company of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps and their friends enjoyed a very agreeable dinner held at Volunteer Headquarters on Friday.

Thirty Members and guests were present. After dinner the health of the guests was proposed by Major Dowbiggin and was replied to by Lt. Col. Bird and Dr. Pierce Grove who represented the Fan Ling Hunt.

Lt. H. C. Macnamara, then presented Staff-Sergeant Shadbolt R.A.V.C. with a silver cigarette box, suitably inscribed, on behalf of all the members of the Mounted Infantry Company as a token of their esteem for the way in which the ponies have been looked after. The ponies are under the special care of Staff-Sergeant Shadbolt and the improvement in their condition has been very remarkable, attracting the favourable comments of those who have seen the ponies taking part in the various hunts and races out at Fan Ling.

The speeches were followed by a concert organized by C.S.M. Charles and Sergeant Potts, with Mr. Fleming at the piano.

The various items were well received and the party did not separate till a late hour.

LED ASTRAY?

STUDENT'S STORY OF BAD
COMPANIONSWOULD-BE NEWSPAPER
PROPRIETOR

CASE SENT FOR TRIAL.

Lau Shiu Fook, the eighteen years old Chinese who is accused of obtaining money by means of false statements and a forged will was on Saturday at the Central Magistracy committed for trial at the next Criminal Sessions by Mr. R. E. Lindell.

The charges against fraud accused were:—(1) fraudulently cashing two deposit notes belonging to his father; and (2) uttering to Mr. H. K. Woo, solicitor of Messrs. Woo and Nash, a false will representing it to be the will of his father.

In addition there were the following two charges of perjury.

Following his committal accused made a statement in which he declared that three older men, one of them a former schoolmate led him astray and that he handed over his father's deed box while under the influence of a drug. He said that the first time he saw the forged will was just before an interview with Mr. Lo Hin Shing, a local barrister.

Confession At Police Station.

Ho Lin Kui, a partner and cashier of the Kay Fung Yuk firm said defendant's father deposited \$1,000 in two lots with the firm. Witness himself paid this money over to accused when he surrendered the deposit notes.

Detective Sergeant Whant said that accused was brought to No. 7 Police Station by his father on December 30th and in consequence of what the father said the accused was detained and subsequently charged.

Asked by the Magistrate how the matter of the false will was brought to light, Sergeant Whant said whilst in the charge room, the accused made a voluntary statement to his father that there was another deposit note for \$1,550 in the hands of Mr. Woo of Messrs. Woo and Nash, who was going to cash it for the accused.

The Sergeant accordingly went with the accused to Mr. Woo's office and there discovered that probate had been obtained on a false will.

ACCUSED'S STATEMENT.

The Magistrate having decided to send accused for trial, he was duly cautioned and then made a statement.

He said that another Chinese youth named Ng Fung Shan was a schoolmate of his at the Saiyung-pun School for seven years. Ng went to Shanghai and returned in November last. He introduced the accused to two men named Lau On and Lau Yat Cho. The accused subsequently discovered that Lau On's proper name is Tam Cheng and Lau Yat Cho's is Cheung Chong.

After Ng's return from Shanghai, he sent the accused an invitation to visit him at the Tung Shan Hotel. They met there and Ng persuaded the accused to stay a few days with him. They went out to dinner together for a whole week. Then Ng questioned the accused about his family affairs and suggested that the accused should raise money to go into partnership with him (Ng) and start a newspaper. The accused said that he would have to wait until his father returned from the country.

Medicine!

When the accused developed a cough, Ng gave him some medicine. After taking the first dose, the accused became feverish and felt as if he was intoxicated. Ng suggested that they go out for a walk. Downstairs they met the two laus waiting for them.

All four went to the accused's home, where not knowing what he was doing, the accused handed over his father's deed box to Ng. They then returned to the Hotel. Here Ng examined the contents of the box and took the three deposit

(Continued on next Column.)

FRAUDS ON THE
TREASURY.

\$260,000 INVOLVED.

TWO CLERKS REMANDED.

The two Chinese employees of the Treasury, who were arrested last week on charges arising out of a loss of \$260,000 in that department were formally charged on Saturday before Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Central Magistracy.

The two prisoners are Tsang On Wing, Percival Street, described as a cash book clerk and Cheung Man Kun, 24, Kwong Ming Street, described as a clerk.

Mr. T. H. King, Director of Criminal Investigation, appeared to prosecute, and Mr. M. K. Lo represented the first defendant.

There were three charges against the two defendants; the first reading—

"That you, Tsang On Wing and Cheung Man Kun, together with certain other persons unknown, on September 3rd, 1927, and on divers days between that day and 7th day of January, 1928, at Victoria in this Colony, conspired together with intent to defraud, to utter a Treasury cheque or a document purporting to be a Treasury cheque on the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation to the value of \$95,142.10 in favour of the Man Lee Co., which, to the knowledge of the said Tsang On Wing and Cheung Man Kun, was not intended to be cashed or presented for payment out of or against Treasury money."

The other two charges were charged in similar terms, in relation to other cheques, one for a sum of \$78,300.11 in favour of Min Tak & Co., and the other for \$86,653.33 in favour of Katz and Co.

Remands Granted.

Mr. King applied for a week's remand, remarking that Mr. Lo had asked him to apply for remand for only three days in police custody, in the case of the first defendant. Mr. King said he had no objection, but indicated he would have to ask for a further remand at the end of the three days.

Mr. Lindell remanded the first defendant in police custody until Tuesday, and the second defendant until Saturday next.

Mr. Lo then addressed his Worship on the matter of bail. He said that in view of the seriousness of the offences he was not expecting his Worship to grant bail, but he would like to state that the charges being of a simple nature, the police should be in a position, at the latest in a fortnight's time, to proceed with the case.

Mr. Lindell agreed with Mr. Lo.

notes. He gave the box and the remainder of the contents to the accused to take back home, which he did.

The following day all four went to the Kay Fung Yuk firm and whilst the others waited downstairs, the accused went up and cashed one of the notes, handing the money over to Ng. Later they paid an other visit to the firm and accused cashed the other deposit-note, this time giving the money to Lau On.

Local Lawyers Visited.

Ng took him to the office of Mr. Lo Hin Shing, the barrister, and after telling him what to say to Mr. Lo made him go upstairs. On the stairs Ng handed the false will to the accused for the first time.

The accused interviewed Mr. Lo who recommended him to see Mr. H. K. Woo. Before entering Mr. Woo's office, Lau On, who was with them, told the accused to make out that his father was dead, which he did. Mr. Woo undertook to arrange matters for the accused and he was subsequently taken before the Registrar before whom he swore certain depositions.

Confession To His Father.

Then Ng sent the accused to the country to find out when his father was due to return to Hong Kong. He was delayed a week in the country by the suspension of the train service, and eventually returned with his father. When the father discovered the deposit notes missing, the accused made a confession and mentioned Ng and the two laus to him. Then his father took him to the Police.

Accused added that he then took Sergeant Whant with him to look for Lau On and Lau Yat Cho but failed to find them. Ng also could not be found.

"I know now that they are swindlers," he concluded.

STUDENT COM-
MITTED FOR TRIAL.SEQUEL TO CHRISTMAS
EVE "SQUABBLE."DEFENCE CRITICISM OF
THE DECISION.

The magisterial proceedings in the case in which Lo Chi King is charged with the manslaughter of Ho Kwong Hoi, a fellow student of St. Paul's College, in a quarrel at the South China Athletic Association on Christmas Day, have now been concluded. On Saturday morning at the Central Magistracy, Mr. R. E. Lindell announced that he had decided to commit defendant to the February Criminal Sessions.

In announcing his decision, His Worship said: I have decided that this defendant must be committed for trial. I shall require only \$500 bail on a security bond. (This means that the \$500 cash bail and \$500 bond has been reduced to \$500 security bail only.) Mr. L. D. Turner, who has been appearing for the defence said: With the greatest deference, your Worship, I wish to make a submission, and that is to this effect: In view of your Worship having said yesterday, and I think I am correct in this, that you think that no jury would be likely to convict on the evidence in this case, even if directed to do so by a Judge, with the greatest deference I wish you to make a note, in view of your Worship's dictum to commit the defendant that the proper course would be to discharge him. I shall be obliged if you will make a note to this effect.

His Worship did so, and the case then concluded.

LIME WASHING REGU-
LATIONS.

THE SPRAYING METHOD.

QUESTIONS TO BE ASKED AT
SANITARY BOARD.

As a result of the many complaints received from Chinese residents by the Chinese Chamber of Commerce in connection with lime washing of houses in the Colony, Dr. S. W. Tso, a Chinese member of the Sanitary Board, is to ask a number of questions with regard to the lime washing method employed at Chinese houses at the meeting of the Sanitary Board on Wednesday afternoon.

This matter, it will be recalled, was debated at a recent meeting of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce. Householders allege that the method of spraying now in use is injurious to their furniture and clothes, and in view of this the Chinese Chamber of Commerce decided to bring the matter to the attention of the Board.

Dr. Tso, pursuant to notice, will ask—

(i) In view of the general complaint by tenants of tenement houses against the present method of lime washing by the Sanitary Department, will the Head of the Sanitary Department state whether a tenant, if he objects to the spraying method of lime washing by the Department, may be allowed to employ his own contractor to do the work in the old way, after his landlord has paid to the Government the money for lime washing by the Department?

(ii) If so, whether the Government is prepared to hand over the money paid by the landlord to the tenant after he has done the lime washing satisfactorily?

(iii) When the spraying method is employed what precaution is taken by the Department to protect the furniture or goods of the tenant from the lime wash or to prevent the lime wash from going through the floor to the floor below?

(iv) Whether the lime wash used by the Department contains any ingredient which may be injurious to furniture or goods?

(v) Whether the spraying method now employed by the Department is an improvement on the old method of lime washing? If so, in what respect?

(vi) When lime washing is done under the supervision of the Department, by its own workmen, and with the best of materials, is there any necessity to have the work done more than once? And, if it is found necessary to re-lime wash the premises, whether it is possible to have it done on the same day as that of the first lime washing?

(vii) In lime washing a painted ceiling or wall, as not a hundredth part of the lime will stick, will the Head of the Sanitary Department suggest some method of dealing with such cases in the future?

Mr. Wong Kwong Tin, pursuant to notice, will move—

"That in view of the numerous complaints which have been made, the Head of the Sanitary Department be requested to discard the spraying method of lime washing and adopt the brush method."

CINEMA NEWS.

"OUT ALL NIGHT" AT THE
QUEEN'S.REGINALD DENNY IN A
DELIGHTFUL MOOD."BEN HUR" SHEWEN TO THEIR
MAJESTIES.

THIS WEEK'S PROGRAMME.

[BY OUR FILM CRITIC.]

To go "Out All Night" with Reginald Denny is a delightful experience. Denny regularly occupies a front stall in the revue of which pretty Marion Nixon is the star, and the Queen's audience applauded his taste. He "goes behind" in search of Miss Nixon and is taken for a member of the male chorus. Next we meet them both in a lift in which they are quite content to remain for some hours suspended between floor and floor. Marion as "Molly O'Day" sails with her company for England. Denny gets himself aboard "as Doctor."

We will leave you to imagine the absurdities and the whirligig of events. You have seen Reginald Denny before and this is one of his best and most characteristic pictures. There is never a slow moment and the laughter of the audience made an orchestra almost unnecessary yesterday.

"Ben Hur" Shown In Windsor Castle.

"Ben Hur" was shown by special command to the King and Queen and a party of Their Majesties' friends, including the Archbishop of Canterbury, in the Waterloo Chamber of Windsor Castle. It is, of course, exceptionally rare to see almost unknown actors like the King and Queen to command the performance of a film, apart from what are known as "interest" pictures; but the historical and religious scenes in "Ben Hur" give it a special value in addition to its dramatic qualities and the excitement of the now famous chariot race scene. "Ben Hur" had previously been seen at the Tivoli, by no fewer than 15 Royal personages, including the Prince of Wales and the Duke and Duchess of York. What a record!

PROGRAMME FOR THIS WEEK.

Queen's.

To-day and to-morrow: "Out All Night." On Wednesday: "We're in the Navy Now" is being shown again in response to numerous requests. If you missed it before make a point of going this time for you are sure to enjoy it. Thursday to Saturday: Buster Keaton in his latest comedy "College."

World.

To-day: "The Bat," an excellent mystery film at 3.15 and 9.20, and at 12, 2.30 and 7.15 a Chinese love drama "True Love." Tuesday and Wednesday: Gloria Swanson in a comedy love drama "Fine Madness." Thursday to Saturday: Charlie Chaplin's best picture "The Gold Rush," the film which drew record houses to the Queen's.

Star.

To-day: Ronald Coleman and Vilma Banky in "The Winning of Barbara Worth." Tuesday and Wednesday: Gloria Swanson in a comedy love drama "Fine Madness." Thursday to Saturday: Leatrice Joy in "The Wedding Song."

CORRESPONDENCE.

JEWISH PATRIOTISM.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG
DAILY PRESS."] X

Sir,—Your recent leading article "Literary Mischief Makers," contains a statement that is not quite correct, and may be misunderstood. You say: "America is a foreign nation with only a comparatively small proportion of English stock. Negroes, Slavs, Germans, Latin races and Jews are in the aggregate more numerous than the older type of American." You mention the Jews as a separate race or nation, but to my knowledge a Jew is always a strong supporter of the nation where he was brought up and to which he belongs and completely merged in it. The Jews are never behind hand in patriotism and during the Great War Jews fought devotedly for the respective countries to which they belonged. It is quite time that the days when Jews were persecuted and relegated to the Ghetto were forgotten.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 30th JANUARY to 7th FEBRUARY, 1928, both dates inclusive.

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The Daily Press.

HONG KONG, JANUARY 23rd, 1928.

"THE KING OF KINGS."

How far is it permissible to represent scenes from the Bible on the screen? The question is suggested by the first British showing of the American film "The King of Kings" in London. The picture portrays the life of Christ, and has drawn many opinions favourable and otherwise from clerics and laymen. It appears that, on the whole, there is very little real satisfaction with the film. Moreover, there is this remarkable feature—that while many clergy have been favourably impressed, the Press are uniformly critical. This may be because journalists have more opportunities of judging artistic standards of public entertainment. When all is said the fact remains that the real essential in any film of this description is not matter, but manner. It was not to be supposed that there would be irreverence in presenting the Founder of Christianity on the screen, for that would have effectually prevented its presentation in England. It was, therefore, simply a question for the critics whether HOLLYWOOD could capture the spirit of the Gospel narrative.

We gather that with every wish to deal in a friendly way with this ambitious endeavour, the critics cannot agree that success has been achieved. Defenders of the picture urge that there is no reason why Christ should not be filmed. The Gospel story has been presented before in dramatic form in Passion Plays and in Mystery Plays, and these have not offended the public sense of what is proper. But this argument is not quite sound. The sacred figures in a Mystery Play are seen in suitable surroundings, whereas the cinema house has an atmosphere of its own, and the art of the screen has its own technique. Both rely on broad effects, and a direct appeal to the emotions. The fundamental objection to the employment of the film in the presentation of Bible characters is not that anything may be depicted that will outrage good taste, but that the medium is both unsuitable and inadequate.

The impressions of the sacred characters in the Gospels indelibly stamped on the minds of Christian people are immeasurably stronger and more vivid than any film representation of them, however skillfully executed. There is an anecdote in a letter by ROBERT BROWNING relating to CHARLES LAMB, who is mentioned as discussing in a gay fancy with some friends how he and they would feel if the greatest of the dead were to appear suddenly in flesh and blood once more. On the final suggestion "And if Christ entered the room?" LAMB changed his manner at once, and uttering—as his habit was when moved—said, "You see, if Shakespeare entered, we should all rise; if He appeared we must kneel."

This seems applicable to the discussion which has been proceeding in respect of the film story of "The King of Kings." It applies equally to any representation of the Founder of Christianity through the medium of the screen. There must always be an inability to satisfy the marvellous conception that is universal and dominant regarding Christ's life and ministry on earth. But there is the further criticism of this effort of HOLLYWOOD that even here the American obsession of sex appeal could not be subdued. Why is it that, as Mr. GEORGE BERNARD SHAW asked an audience of film producers in London recently, sex is considered inseparable from the art of the cinema? A sex interest is introduced between MARY MAGDALEN and JUDAS. This exhibits, surely, a singular denseness towards the psychology of the Gospel narrative. However, well produced and reverently played a Bible drama may be, such a film as this must fall short of supreme achievement, and, therefore, fail in the task it purports to perform.

The name of Mr. James Smith Gibson has been added to the list of authorised architects in the Colony.

The appointment of Corporal H. R. Forsyth and Second Lieutenant in the H.K.D.C. is gazetted.

It is notified that the name of Moller & Co. (Hong Kong), Ltd., has been struck off the Register of Companies in Hong Kong.

The King's Exequatur empowering Monsieur Eduardo Gallardo A. to act as Consul for Chile in Hong Kong has received His Majesty's signature.

Capt. James Charnock, Army Educational Corps, has been re-appointed a member of the Board of Education for a further period of two years.

The Rev. J. H. Johnston and the Rev. C. B. Shann have been appointed German Missions trustees. The Rev. A. D. Stewart has resigned from the trustee body.

It is reported that the new Portuguese Minister for the Colonies is General Ivens Ferraz, brother of Rear-Admiral Ivens Ferraz, who was recently of the China Station in the Portuguese cruiser *Republica*.

The name of Augustus Din Wong, alias Wong Hung Tam, 34 Bonham Strand, Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery of the Hong Kong University, has been added to the Register of Medical Practitioners in the Colony.

The Government of Hong Kong is prepared to consider applications for the grant of facilities to persons desirous of establishing and maintaining an efficient supply of electric current in and for the Island of Cheung Chau. Applications should reach the Director of Public Works not later than March 1st.

It will be recalled that at the last meeting of the Sanitary Board, replies covering Government Offices and hospitals were given by the President to a number of questions asked by Mr. J. P. Braga relative to the number of houses on the Island using water from the Government mains (as distinct from independent water supplies) for flushing purposes. The President was unable to give figures with regard to houses, hotels and offices, and at Wednesday's meeting of the Board, the agenda includes information on this point.

BOY SCOUTS AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

SIR CECIL CLEMENTI TO PRESENT PRINCE OF WALES BANNER.

H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.) in his capacity of Chief Scout of Hong Kong, will inspect the Boy Scouts at Government House, on Wednesday, at 4.30 p.m., and present the Prince of Wales Competition Banner to the 1st H.K. Sea Scout Troop which won the Competition in 1927. There will be nothing in the nature of a display, and the whole ceremony will not take more than half-an-hour at the most. It is hoped that every troop will be represented, but owing to the Chinese New Year Holidays, it is feared that an absolutely full attendance of all Scouts may not be possible.

DEATH OF MRS. W. WILSON.

WIFE OF WELL-KNOWN POLICE OFFICER.

We regret to record the death yesterday morning of Mrs. Wilson, wife of Police Sub-Inspector W. Wilson, following the birth of a daughter who is doing well.

Mrs. Wilson, who was only 28, died at the Victoria Hospital. She was married about four years ago.

Sub-Inspector Wilson has had 16 years' service in the Hong Kong Police force, and both he and the late Mrs. Wilson are very well-known and popular in the Colony.

The deepest sympathy will be extended to Mr. Wilson in his bereavement by a large circle of friends and professional colleagues. The funeral takes place to-day passing the Monument at 5 p.m.

WEATHER REPORT.

RAIN AND FOG PREDICTED.

The weather report, forecast and remarks, issued yesterday at 6.35 by the Royal Observatory, stated:

The anti-cyclone remains central to the East Vladivostok. A depression is central over the Eastern Sea. It is moving eastward. Local Forecast:—East winds, moderate, cloudy, foggy, some rain.

MACAO'S ART EXHIBITION.

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BEAUTIFUL EXAMPLES OF MODERN PHOTOGRAPHY.

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Great interest was shown in the Macao Photographic Exhibition which was opened by H.E. the Governor of Macao yesterday at 2.30 p.m.

The Exhibition is being held at the Garden of Flora, and the total entry is well over six hundred pictures. Subjects include Japan, all parts of China, including Hong Kong, Canton, and Macao, Indo-China, Singapore, Manila, etc., and many of the exhibits are of a very high order of merit.

The Judges for the Contest were Madame Tamarani Barbosa, Madame Gellion, Mr. C. H. Blason, the well-known Hong Kong photographer, Major H. L. Wright, also of Hong Kong, and Mr. Samedá, another Hong Kong photographic enthusiast.

There are also many beautiful paintings by Geo. Chinnery, R.A., who lived in Macao in the early forties and oil paintings and water colours by the late Baron do Ceral and M.A. Batista, Chinnery's pupil.

It was due to the Governor of Macao's great help that the promoters have been able to hold the Exhibition, the first of its kind in Macao.

Football, hockey and tennis matches with representatives from Hong Kong were played yesterday. The exhibition will remain open until the third week of February.

Calling upon His Excellency the Governor to open the Exhibition, Mr. Carlos Alves, Director of the Port Works Department, said: This Exhibition is comprehensive in its aspirations, and is an effort that must command the admiration of all, and it is also the starting point for better efforts of this and other nature for the future.

It is an attempt to make photography a stimulus to Portuguese artists to reproduce Macao at her best, and to record her enchanting scenes that remind one of Portugal—this little garden planted in this distant land by those old heroes, those pioneers of Christianity, those bulwarks of Portugal's greatness.

The Exhibition Opened.

H.E. the Governor declared the exhibition open and said:—

I congratulate all the exhibitors at the Macao Photographic and Art Exhibition who have been able to demonstrate the interest that photographic art of this kind can bring to this Colony. I am, moreover, convinced that art is a sublime ideal: it is the best means of educating the spirit of youth.

The accomplishment of this exhibition has exceeded the expectations of the promoters.

I have passed through these halls and have been singularly impressed by the work I have seen. I must refer especially to the photographs shown by H.E. the Minister for Portugal at Peking. They are the silent testimony of the civilising influence of our missionaries in the land of the Chinese, where they gave up everything, risked all, and sacrificed their lives for their ideal.

I congratulate all those who have succeeded in carrying off prizes and I am much indebted to the visitors present to-day, especially those who have come to Macao, who will, of a certainty, take away with them confirmation that in Macao there exists a desire to progress and yet exist in harmony with all neighbouring countries and colonies, especially those with which Portugal has maintained for centuries the most affable relations of commerce and friendship.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

REPRESENTATIVE OF JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

HON. SIR H. E. POLLOCK SEEKS RE-ELECTION.

Notice is given that the term of office of the Hon. Sir Henry Edward Pollock, Kt., K.C., representative of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace upon the Legislative Council, expired on January 18th, and that he has expressed his willingness to stand again.

In the event of another Justice of the Peace being nominated, a meeting of the Justices other than Government Officials will be held at the Supreme Court on Monday, February 6th, from 12 noon to 1 p.m., for the purpose of electing a representative.

Justices of the Peace, who are Government Officials, are not entitled to take part in these proceedings.

Every candidate must be nominated in writing by one Justice and seconded by another, and the nomination delivered to Mr. R. E. Lindell, the First Police magistrate, not later than Monday, January 30th.

VEGETABLES EXPORTED FROM HONG KONG.

QUESTIONS TO BE ASKED BY MR. BRAGA.

At Wednesday's meeting of the Sanitary Board, Mr. J. P. Braga, pursuant to notice will ask:—

i. Is the Government aware that large quantities of fresh vegetables are regularly exported by steamers out of Hong Kong?

ii. If statistics of such exports are available, will the President obtain the figures in respect of the month of December last and for the first half of the current month?

iii. Will the President also state, as his opinion, whether the export of large quantities of fresh vegetables from the Colony tends to restrict supplies for the local markets, and if so whether any inadequacy of supply exists thus operating as a factor in the "keeping up of prices of vegetables in Hong Kong?"

CRAIGENGOWER DANCE.

SATURDAY'S SUCCESSFUL FUNCTION.

The subscription dance at the Craigenower Cricket Club on Saturday night was well supported and a thoroughly enjoyable time was spent by members and their guests.

During the earlier part of the evening it was thought by many amateur weather prophets that "it would come down," but the forecast proved to be wrong. There was therefore no interference with the sitting out facilities, etc., provided on the lawn enclosure and this retreat proved very popular.

A dance at this Club seems to draw a large gathering. This was the case on Saturday when there were many who did not take part in dancing, but enjoyed themselves just the same.

The Awards.

The following exhibitions were awarded prizes:—Carlos de Souza, J. Clémaco do Rosário, Kai Chong & Co., A. A. Bumjahn, H. W. Hammond, Dr. Li Sung, Po Man Lau, A. B. Vasconcelos, H. Yoshio, Kyo Kawaguchi, Mr. Hartung, João de Bianchi, William Wu, F. de Lara Reis, H. Sakai, F. J. Taveres, Paul Braga, P. A. Dragon.

CHINA NEW YEAR.

FESTIVITIES IN FULL SWING.

AT THE HOTELS, ETC.

The ushering in of China New Year really began on Saturday.

There were massed crowds in the region of the bazaar all through Saturday, and last night one could hardly get near the many and miscellaneous stalls.

A good trade appears to have been done, but for the most part it was a practically impenetrable barrier. Once one got caught in the crowd they had to go "with the tide."

Flowers, toys, curios, sweets, all found a ready sale, and both rich and poor appear to have bought as lavishly as their pockets would permit. Yesterday there was the initial crackle and roar of the crackers, which increased to an almost unceasing rattle, like machine gun fire, as the night wore on and China New Year Day came in.

From streets, houses, alleys and from the waterfront there was the rapid discharge of "fireworks like musketry" which will continue until Wednesday.

The festivities at the various European rendezvous were well supported on Saturday night. The Hong Kong Hotel and Kowloon Hotel and also Lane, Crawford's Restaurant were all gorgeously decorated in a galaxy of colours and lights, presenting a glittering scene, and carnival festivities reigned supreme until midnight.

Needless to say all the dances arranged were well patronised, and there were large and merry throngs at each.

Other Cafes and clubs also held dances.

The police state that this has been about the most orderly Chinese New Year on record, and absence of fires was also a notable feature.

PORTUGUESE NAVAL OFFICER MARRIED.

ZANATTI-DA SILVA.

BRIDEGROOM A.D.C. TO THE GOVERNOR OF MACAO.

The wedding took place on Saturday at St. Joseph's Church of Miss Maria Cecilia Nolaso da Silva and Lieut. Mario Ribeiro da Costa Zanatti of the Portuguese gunboat *Patria*.

The bride who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Nolaso da Silva was given in marriage by her father and attended by Melles Barbosa, Albuquerque, Alves and Barretto. The Consul for Portugal, Mr. Albuquerque e Castro, and Mr. C. A. da Rosa acting jointly in the office of "best men."

Miss da Silva looked very charming in her dress of white georgette heavily embroidered with pearls and silver beads, she carried a spray of Madonna lilies. Her bridesmaids—wearing charming frocks of pale blue georgette veiled with tulle carried posies of pink and white roses.

The ceremony was performed by the Very Reverend Dom José da Costa Nunes, the Bishop of Macao, Madame and Mademoiselle Barbosa, wife and daughter of the Governor of Macao were present at the Church and afterwards at the reception which was held at Shamcliffe, 7, Garden Road, the residence of Mr. P. M. N. da Silva. Among many friends present were the officers of the Portuguese transport *Pere d'Alemquer* which is now in the harbour, and of the gunboat *Patria*.

The honeymoon is being spent at Repulse Bay and Fanling, after which Lieut. Zanatti will take up his new appointment as A.D.C. to H.E. the Governor of Macao. The bride's going away dress was of *bois-de-rone* trimmed with beaver, and hat to match.

BRITAIN AND PACTS.

LONDON PRESS COMMENT ON GOVERNMENT'S MANIFESTO.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE]

RUCRY, Jan. 21st.

The *Daily Telegraph* welcomes the emphasis which the memorandum places on the view that the question dealt with is merely practical, and it recapitulates the actual steps which Great Britain has taken by way of bilateral security pacts resorted to arbitration and voluntary disarmament to achieve the purpose which the commission of the League of Nations was established to advance.

The *Times* says the memorandum will be a helpful guide to all future British representatives at the League. It also points out that Britain's difficulty in doing more is that she has already done so much. This country undertook explicit obligations of a nature which other nations have shown less readiness to assume, also in arbitration she has submitted more cases of major importance to decision by arbitral tribunal than any other country. By arbitration in the Alabama case, Alaskan Boundary case, Dogger Bank case, and Irak frontier case precedents are being built up, which, in themselves may do more to establish a system of Arbitration than many treaties. In the matter of disarmament, which is so closely associated by the League with security and arbitration, the same difficulty now faces Great Britain, that she has already done all that she can properly do. Most notably is this the case with the limitation of naval armaments.

So swiftly, and so thoroughly did Great Britain disarm after the war sacrifices are in danger of being forgotten. When before the meeting of the Washington Conference she voluntarily destroyed between 400 and 700 vessels of war.

At the time of the Armistice the British Empire had a navy which outnumbered the combined fleets of the United States, France, Italy and Japan. Without making bargains with other nations she scrapped half of it. Then came the Washington Conference and the British representatives agreed at once to further great reductions. Ship after ship that had cost millions of pounds, and that had served the country at Jutland and broken up or sent to the bottom of the sea. There was no need to land unduly the British action—it was regarded at the time and is still regarded as a policy of economy and common sense, natural to the inauguration of an era of peace. But it should not be forgotten or belittled.

[The message is incomplete and reception doubtful, due to weak signals and bad atmospheric conditions.]

SHANGHAI "REDS."

PLAN A RISING.

NATIVE BANKS' FLIGHT.

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

SHANGHAI, January 20th. Communists are reported to be planning a rising on the evening of January 21st or January 22nd. In consequence of the heavy contributions which are demanded by the Nationalist Government, it is expected that several native banks will be forced into liquidation.

Korean "Reds" To Co-operate.

SHANGHAI, January 21st. Reports still continue to be received of the arrival of Korean Communists in Shanghai, who are planning to co-operate with the local Chinese Communists in stirring up trouble.

The Chinese authorities outside the International Settlement are taking all possible precautions. Information has also been received to the effect that local extremists are endeavouring to stage a general strike on January 26th, starting with the Japanese cotton mills.

Another General Executed.

WANSIEN, January 21st. The execution of another disloyal general has taken place. This was ordered by General Yang Sen, who is returning in a few days time to Ichang.

It is also reported that Divisions of his 20th Army, which were at Shansi, have now moved to Tung Tau, which is 80 miles below Ichang, and that the 2nd Army entered Shansi to-day (Saturday). The situation is quite satisfactory.

THE NEW PRAYER BOOK.

TO BE INTRODUCED TO CHURCH ASSEMBLY NEXT MONTH.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE]

RUCRY, Jan. 21st.

Consequent upon the adverse vote of the House of Commons last month, the new Prayer Book measure is published to-day.

It will be introduced to the Church Assembly at a session beginning on February 6th. It is hoped that the necessary consents in assembly and convocations will be secured for it to be presented to Parliament by Whitsun. One of the principal changes made by the bishops in that prayers for the King shall be compulsory morning and evening.

IRISH FREE STATE PRESIDENT.

ARRIVES IN NEW YORK.

CIVIC WELCOME.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE]

New York, Jan. 21st.

Mr. Cosgrave, President of the Free State Executive, the "sandy haired grocery clerk turned statesman," according to one newspaper, has landed here. Thus Ireland is represented in the United States for the first time in history by an elected leader.

De Valera sympathisers bearing large placards, gathered at the Battery and were ejected by a special force of 3,000 police.

President Cosgrave smilingly met the bombardment of the reporters by diplomatic and non-diplomatic replies.

Asked whether Ireland would ever become a republic he said: "That is a matter for the people of Ireland and not for me to predict."

After landing President Cosgrave proceeded to the City Hall where he was welcomed by Mayor Walker.

CANTON AND NANKING.

DELEGATES WHO DO NOT REPRESENT THE GOVERNMENT.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

The Canton Government has wired to Nanking demanding that certain Cantonese members of the Kuomintang Central Executive Committee should be excluded, and charging them with complicity in the recent "Red" uprising. The Committee, however, will be unable to form a quorum, unless the Cantonese are given seats.

MORE HANKOW REDS EXECUTED.

THIRTY MORE VICTIMS.

ALLEGED COMMUNIST PLOT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

HANKOW, Jan. 21st. Yesterday witnessed further wholesale executions. It is estimated that there were 30 victims, consisting of five armed robbers, five printers of inflammatory pamphlets and the balance communists and labour agitators.

Unrest again prevails as the result of alleged Communist plottings to stage an uprising for China New Year. The military are taking the utmost precautions and martial law is again in vogue.

20,000 TROOPS EAST OF SHASI.

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

SHASI, January 20th. The 2nd Army, comprising 20,000 men, are reported to be 13 miles east of Shasi.

They are expected to enter the town to-morrow (Saturday). This army is under the command of General Lo Ti Ping.

Hankow Situation Obscure.

HANKOW, January 20th. Martial law is still in force here. The situation is still obscure.

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

HANKOW, January 21st. The situation still remains unchanged.

BRITISH NAVAL PROGRAMME.

FURTHER MODIFICATIONS. MINUS THREE CRUISERS.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE]

RUCRY, Jan. 20th.

The following official announcement is made:

"The Cabinet have now completed their review of the new construction programme for the years 1927-28 and 1928-29. They have decided that, in addition to the deletion, as already announced, of two of three cruisers belonging to the financial year 1927-28 programme, as set forth in White Paper of July 27th, 1925, shall be further modified by the omitting of one of three cruisers intended to be begun in the financial year 1928-29. Three cruisers in all have therefore been reduced from the full programme. The type of the two cruisers to be begun at the end of the financial year 1928-29 is not yet finally settled."

It may be recalled that the British Naval programme for the current year 1927-28 provided for three cruisers: one A class cruiser of 10,000 tons, and two B class cruisers of 8,000 tons each. In March last year the first Lord of the Admiralty announced that in view of the forthcoming Geneva disarmament conference between Great Britain, the United States, and Japan no orders would be given out until late last year. The Geneva conference broke up without reaching an agreement, the main difficulty being the application of the principle of parity of cruiser forces. But when towards the close of last year the time came for the decision to be taken on ordering or authorising new ships, the British Government announced that instead of building one 10,000-ton and two 8,000-ton cruisers in the year 1927-28, only one 8,000-ton cruiser would be proceeded with. Now only two of three cruisers for which provision was made in 1928-29 are to be laid down.

TROTSKY'S REFERENCE TO CANTON'S RED FIASCO.

REDS IN EXILE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BERLIN, Jan. 21st.

"We yield to violence and leave our posts in Soviet Russia in exile. We do not doubt that each of us will not only still be needed but will resume his place in the hour of the great struggles which are impending," declares a manifesto issued by the Bolshevik Opposition and published in their German organ.

The document, which was signed, *inter alia*, by Trotsky and Rakovskii, refers to a "flagrant example of emigration at a time of revolutionary ebullience."

ELECTRICAL SCIENCE.

WINNER OF FARADAY MEDAL.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE]

RUCRY, Jan. 21st.

The Council of the Institution of Electrical Engineers have awarded to Professor Fleming the Faraday Medal for conspicuous service to the advancement of electrical science.

Professor Fleming is well-known as the inventor of the first wireless valve, and has played a notable part in the development of the great applications of electrical science.

THE COBHAMS LEAVE MALTA.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MILTA, Jan. 21st.

Sir Alan and Lady Cobham, who have been held up here since November 20th last owing to a series of accidents, have restarted on their round-Africa flight.

THE LATE SIR DYCE DUCKWORTH.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE]

RUCRY, Jan. 20th.

Sir Dyce Duckworth, the eminent physician held to-day at the age of 87 years.

He was a close friend of the late King Edward, to whom he was medical adviser when Prince of Wales.

CUBA'S SUGAR CROP.

CUBAN PRESIDENT SIGNS DECREE. ALLOCATION OF 4,000,000 TONS.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE]

HAVANA, Jan. 22nd.

The President of Cuba has signed the sugar decree confirming the report of the National Sugar Defence Committee, recommending the fixing of the 1927-28 sugar crop at 4,000,000 tons of which 3,300,000 tons has been allotted to the United States, 150,000 tons for home consumption and the balance for export to various countries.

INDIAN PRISON MUTINY.

ATTACK BY CONVICTS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

ALLAHABAD, Jan. 21st.

One hundred convicts of the habitual prisoners' circle at Naini Gaol attacked a convict overseer, cut off his nose and thrashed him and the convict gaolers.

Armed warders rushed up and 20 prisoners scattered and climbed a roof from whence they threw tiles and other missiles.

The Superintendent warned the prisoners, who took no heed, after which the warders were ordered to open fire. One was killed and 16 wounded, the remainder being overpowered after a struggle in which a number of warders were injured.

U.S.A. MILLIONAIRE.

BROTHER OF EX-SENATOR DIES.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE]

WILMINGTON (Delaware), Jan. 21st.

The death is announced of the millionaire, William Dupont, brother of ex-Senator Dupont.

BARON STRICKLAND.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Jan. 21st.

Sir Gerall Strickland has assumed the title of Baron Strickland of Sizer Castle, Westmoreland.

NORWEGIAN GOVERNMENT RESIGNS.

SWEEPING LABOUR VICTORY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

OSLO, Jan. 20th.

When Parliament re-opened to-day, the Government resigned owing to the sweeping Labour victory at the General Election in October last year.

Mr. Mellbye, the Agrarian leader, has undertaken to form a Coalition Government.

BIG U.S. OIL MERGER PLANNED.

RIVAL FOR FAR EAST TRADE.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE]

NEW YORK, Jan. 20th.

A possibly dangerous rival in the Far East for both the Standard Oil Company and the Royal Dutch-Shell group interest, is indicated by the announcement of plans for a merger of two of the largest oil companies in the United States, the Texas Corporation and the California Petroleum Company.

The combined capital of the two firms would be \$375,000,000. The merger depends on the participation of at least 51 per cent. of the shareholders of the California Petroleum.

NEW BRITISH CRUISERS.

TWO INSTEAD OF THREE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Jan. 20th.

From an official statement issued to-day concerning the Cabinet's naval plans, it transpires that the type of the two cruisers to be laid down in 1928 has not been definitely fixed. It will be remembered that the Cabinet recently decided to lay down only two cruisers instead of three.

The Admiralty communication is taken to mean that it is possible that the cruisers will be of the 10,000-ton instead of the 8,000-ton type originally intended.

PAN-AMERICAN CONFERENCE.

U.S.A.'S MODESTY. "NO WISH TO DOMINATE."

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE]

HAVANA, Jan. 20th.

Although the actual agenda at the Pan-American Conference has been fixed by resolutions, it is understood that new subjects can be raised by the various committees without notice, and the Plenary Session by a two-thirds majority vote.

The United States has, in view of this understanding, sent a larger delegation, than it sent to Versailles for the Peace Treaty. The most important figure at the Conference is now Mr. Charles E. Hughes, the ex-U.S. Secretary of State, who, however, insists upon playing a modest role with a view to avoiding any move which might suggest that the United States is interested in dominating the Conference or any participating nation.

Hostile To U.S. Policy.

An instance of this occurred when he refused office himself but seconded the nomination of Senor Guerrero, of Salvador, as Chairman of the Committee on the Codification of Public International Law, which may consider the question of one nation interfering in the domestic affairs of another.

Senor Guerrero is known to be hostile to the United States policy in Latin-America.

Canada's Participation Discussed. A point of particular interest which has been raised is the question of Canadian participation in the activities of the Conference within the next few years. A number of delegates expressed the opinion that with the rapid growth of Canadian trade and influence, Trade and Financial Treaties concluded on the American Continent will not be fully effective unless Canada does participate.

LANCASHIRE COTTON INDUSTRY.

BLEACHERS' SECTION REDUCTIONS.

EFFECT ON CHINA MARKET.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Jan. 21st.

The bleachers section of the Lancashire cotton trade has decided to make reductions varying from 2d. to 10d. per 40-yards in the finishing cost of heavier cotton cloths.

Sir Kenneth Stewart, discussing the reduction, said that he thought it would particularly benefit the China market.

GERMAN MINISTRY SCANDAL.

IRREGULAR USE OF FUNDS.

INVESTIGATION TO BE HELD.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BERLIN, Jan. 20th.

The film scandal, which is freely alleged to be one of the reasons for the portfolio of Minister of Defence, was ventilated in the Reichstag to-day.

Questioned, Dr. Marx, the Chancellor, admitted that the Government had lost several million marks through unauthorised grants to the Phoenix Film Company.

The grants, he said, were made by Captain Lohmann, of the Ministry of Defence, with the sanction of Dr. Gessler, for the production of so-called national films.

Dr. Marx disclaimed Government responsibility in the matter, saying that the Company had been supported by the Ministry of Defence, while the Navy Department had also acquired shares therein.

Dr. Marx declared that the whole Cabinet deplored the affair.

The Government proposes to appoint a Commission to prevent the irregular use of public money, while an investigation will be held into Captain Lohmann's conduct.

ANGLO-AMERICAN TRUST.

AN INVESTMENT CORPORATION BEING FORMED.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE]

NEW YORK, Jan. 20th.

British and American investment interests headed in the United States by the American founders of a Trust, have practically completed the formation of an International Investment Trust to provide for a fusion between British and American capital.

The plans are such that the Trust is expected to develop into a \$100,000,000 corporation.

JAPANESE TARIFF.

"OPPOSITION" MEETING AT OSAKA.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

OSAKA, Jan. 21st.

A mass meeting was held last night in the public hall to oppose the tariff on pig iron, steel bars, cotton yarns, wool tops, yarn pieces, lumber, etc.

The meeting was sponsored by various trade associations.

SOVIET IN TOKYO.

A THIRD FIRE OUTBREAK AT TRADE OFFICE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Tokyo, Jan. 21st.

For the third time within the last few days fire broke out at the office of the Soviet Trade Commissioner. Incendiarism is suspected. Firemen were able to put out the conflagration before any serious damage was done.

PERSIAN PEASANT REVOLT.

ARRIVAL OF TROOPS QUELS OUTBREAK.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BASRA, Jan. 20th.

Reinforcements have been rushed to Qasrah, Khuzistan, and the peasant revolt has been suppressed. The troops arrived on board two Persian gunboats, and the insurrection collapsed within a few hours. The peasants have now accepted the increased taxation (the revolt was in protest against double taxes imposed) while the authorities have undertaken to liberate the tribesmen, who were taken in custody.

BABY PLAYS WITH ESCAPED LEOPARD.

MOTHER'S SHOCK IN A LONDON SUBURB.

"MOWGLI OF CAMDEN TOWN."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Dec. 24th.

Algermon, the young leopard of Camden Town, which escaped from his cage in Mr. George Palmer's Pet Stores in Park-street early yesterday morning, was recaptured shortly after four o'clock in the afternoon, just as he had made friends with two-year-old Leslie Pizer, whose parents have a furniture shop a few doors from Mr. Palmer's miniature zoo.

Leslie was playing in a passage that leads to the back yard. The door was open, and he had an excellent view of heaps of flower pots and discarded household effects. It was a fascinating prospect, and he decided to explore it thoroughly when his legs became stronger.

"Algermon."

Suddenly he saw something entirely unfamiliar—long, lithe, spotted, rather like a cat, and about the size of an Airedale dog—balancing itself on the wall. It was Algermon—nameless before his adventure, but now so dubbed because of his perfect manners. Algermon saw Leslie—a fellow young thing, 3½ of a different species—and dropped lightly to the ground. He approached daintily, and a little uncertain, but very much the man, awaited him hospitably. There is an eternal freemasonry between children and animals, and it is not impossible that the following dialogue took place—just as Mr. Kipling's Mowgli conversed with Bagheera, the black panther.

"Hullo!" said Algermon. "Hullo!" said Leslie, the Mowgli of Camden Town. "My father's all wet," said Algermon. "Do you mind if I come, an'?"

"Please do!" said Leslie; "I'm playing by myself. I'll be glad of company." And he reached out to pat his new friend.

Rush To Safety.

It was at this instant that Mrs. Pizer descended the stairs and saw Algermon and Leslie. She stopped dead. Then, with a moan of anguish, she swept up her son, dashed back up the stairs into the shop, and slammed the door behind her.

Mrs. Pizer knew of Algermon's escape, and in a few minutes Mr. Palmer, who had been searching the neighbourhood since dawn, arrived with a large sack and a beaming smile.

He opened the door, sighted Algermon, and approached him affectionately. The next second the leopard was enveloped in a sack. He was carried back to Pet Stores, rubbed down, and engaged.

OBITUARY.

BANK OF ENGLAND DIRECTOR.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Jan. 21st.

The death is announced, following a motoring accident, of Michael Seymour Spencer Smith, a director of the Bank of England. After leaving Oxford he entered business, serving for nine years in Japan. He served with distinction in the War, becoming a Lieutenant-Colonel, and was employed as A.Q.M.G. at Murmansk.

SIR JOHN DE ROBECK.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Jan. 21st.

The death is announced of Admiral Sir John De Robeck.

[Sir John Michael De Robeck, Admiral of the Fleet, was the first Baronet and obtained the K.C.B. in 1916. He was Commander-in-Chief of the Atlantic Fleet from 1922 to 1924 and of the Mediterranean Fleet, 1919-1922. Admiral Robeck was born on June 10th, 1862, the second son of the 4th Baron De Robeck of Gowran Grange, Naas, Ireland. He married in 1922, Hilda, the widow of Col. Sir Simon Macdonald Lockhart, Bt.

The late Admiral entered the Navy as a cadet in 1875 and was promoted captain in 1902. Rear-Admiral in 1911, Vice-Admiral in 1917 and Admiral of the Fleet in 1923. He commanded the Naval Force in the Dardanelles during the time the Expeditionary Force was landed in 1915. He leaves no heir.]

A Protracted Illness.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE]

RUCRY, Jan. 21st.

Following an illness which has lasted for about a year, Admiral of the Fleet, Sir John De Robeck, who in 1915 was the British Commander-in-Chief of the Fleet in the Dardanelles, died last night.

GYMNAST'S DIVE TO DEATH.

FALL INTO AUDITORIUM IN TRAPEZE ACT.

WOMAN IN THE STALLS INJURED.

[LONDON, Dec. 30th.]

Fred Greenhalgh, aged 58, a music-hall gymnast, was killed at the Palace Theatre, Wellington-borough, where he was appearing in a turn as "Rolo and Lady."

Owing to an oversight on his part, during a trapeze act, Greenhalgh, a tumbler and non-smoker, dived into the stalls from a considerable height and broke his neck. A young woman, Miss Jane Wilkins, of Wellington-borough, sitting in the stalls, into whose lap Greenhalgh fell, sustained a fractured thigh.

At the inquest at Wellington-borough a verdict of "Accidental Death" was returned.

Lillian Black said that Greenhalgh travelled about the country as a gymnast. She assisted him in his performance. His performance consisted of swinging gymnastics on a slack rope hung over the stage, and during the performance he fastened his foot to a rope which she handed to him. This was his usual practice.

Rope Overlooked.

On Wednesday, when the accident occurred, she had not handed him the rope, as Greenhalgh had not reached that particular part of the performance. The rope was on the stage ready. Greenhalgh was swinging on the rope as if he had his foot secure. When he was over the audience he let go and fell. He appeared to have forgotten that he was not tied. Everything else was in perfect order, and nothing broke. Greenhalgh, she said, had been performing this same act for over 30 years.

THE WEEK-END SPORT.

Cricket, Local and Home Football, Yachting, Kwanti Steeplechase Meeting, etc.

CRICKET.

CLUB v. UNITED SERVICES.

LARGE SCORE BY SERVICES.

The big game on the Club ground started on Saturday afternoon. It was most unfortunate that the Chinese New Year, falling on this present day, forced the Banks to carry on their activities all day. The result was that the Club were completely deprived of Reid's services—and he was their only left-hander! Parker could not put in an appearance at all, though he will be out today (Monday) and Tuesday, while Scott only got on to the field about 4.45 p.m. The Services, too, were in trouble, as they had Dobbie on the ground but he could only play on the Saturday. This sort of cricket, however, is thoroughly of the really sporting and friendly type, and the difficulties were surmounted. The Club were allowed to field a couple as substitute for Mr. X—a player to turn up this morning. (and I sincerely hope X—Quick), who should bat by consent. Parker's and Scott's places were filled by relays of most energetic fieldsmen from the Services' side. On the other side, by a curious process of metempsychosis (Captain Dobbie this morning becomes Lieut. Musson, R.A.). So every one is happy and if there was even a better example of the excellent spirit in which the game is played here, I should like to hear of it.

The Play.

At 2.15 p.m. Pearce led out his gallant eight plus the whatnots. I rather think one must allow for a certain depressing effect caused by not having a full side out. It was indeed a gloomy opening—for some person in Naval Yard had chosen the moment to have a rubbish-heap bonfire, and vile smelling oleaginuous smoke veiled the Yard end of the ground. This on top of a bad light made it hard for the batsmen, but when it was off they scored, as they had the screen, while the fielding light was atrocious. The wicket favoured the batsmen. Though it took the spin, the ball turned and came off very slowly.

Reed (Law Courts end) and Leach bowled to Thorp and Salter. The former was very lucky three times early on, two of his escapes bringing him 6 runs from snicks, but thereafter he settled down to play very nice cricket. Salter never got going and was well taken by Leach at point off a slower ball from Reed. Hunt came in and the best batting (bar Dobbie) of the day was seen. Saver relieved Reed at 47 he took a red-hot return from Thorp. Tyringham, who succeeded, was very much at sea to start with, though he twice pulled shorter balls from Reed—bowling again vice Saver—very well to the square-leg boundary. Hunt was the first to go, as he made an atrocious shot at a long-hop and Hayward took a smart catch going away from his left hand. Dobbie, who succeeded, played easily the best innings of his side, though he only got 22. He got some beautiful fours, and never scraped round and put the ball just clear of the field. Leach had him with a real beauty that whipped in from the off-peg and took the top of the leg.

Erskine then came in and also got going, albeit luckily. Saver had gone on again and brought his second slip across to square-leg getting. Tyringham caught three almost at once. Later on, Erskine drove one back to him even harder than Thorp did but save that he used one hand only this time, Saver dealt with the matter in the same way.

Shaw (is it possible he read my advice on Friday last?) went for the bowling and got the top score—39. He was lucky—but his full-blooded hitting deserved luck and the coolie brought off to a very nice catch off a skier to get rid of him. (Mem. To ask Leach if he tipped him adequately.) Venn also played some nice shots but he had a lot more flukes in his 38 than he usually gets. Cecil was the last batsman to trouble the bowlers much. He got 23, chiefly because Saver bowled him slow half-volleys and he refused to be trapped. This

type of attack was fairly successful, however, and, when one of the half-volleys turned out to be five feet short of that length, Naberrey was miles out of his ground. Cecil skied Leach to 3rd man in trying to hit and Scott secured a catch which I should have hated to go for. It was spinning like sin and swung in the air. It was an excellent time—5.25 p.m.—as stumps were to be drawn at 5.30. Thus the Services had collected 251 all out in three hours and a quarter.

Comment.

It is singularly hard to form a fair and unbiased judgement of a match in which one plays oneself. I confess that I thought the majority of the Services' bats extraordinarily lucky—both in snicking runs from balls that might well have bowled them and hitting catches just out of reach of the fielders. But then I was out in the field myself for three three odd hours. So clearly I am biased. It would probably be fair to say that the Services had a shade the better of what fortune was going.

The Club's Display.

The ground-fielding of the Club was, I thought, pretty fair and they were still backing up after three hours of it! Saver made two brilliant catches, Leach and Scott each a very useful one, while Pearce only let 3 lies out of 251 runs. There was some argument about how many chances actually went to hand: I counted five—once to and to Leach included, but it was hardly to hand. There was another that long-off should have taken, but obviously he never saw the ball until it pitched. I don't think any of the other "chances" were missed: they just cleared the fielders.

Leach bowled excellently with poor luck at first, but 4 for 65 in 25 overs in a score of 251 is none too bad. Saver simply chucked them up to be hit—with more accuracy, however, than he has previously shown with the small ball—and the policy paid. He had 4 for 75. Reed bowled excellently but he has not been out much before and I think he tired fairly soon. Hamilton with a bit of luck might have got a wicket but did not. His length was a bit too uncertain. But, before we assume that the Club put up a bad show, it must be remembered that Pearce was left with only two bowlers and two changes, both Parker and Reid—the first changes—being away.

The great thing about the Services' batting was that the majority of the bats realized that that cutters-looking implement in their hands was meant to hit the ball with, and hit it darned hard too.

The game will be resumed weather permitting, to-day at 11 a.m. and the Club should get well up to the score get them with luck. I see (writing on Saturday night) that the weather forecast suggests rain. Maybe, but—Boy, get my sunglasses.

R. ABBIT.

Score and analysis—

First Innings of United Services.

Le. Salter, R.N., c Leach, b Reed	6
Capt. Thorp, K.O.S.B., c and b Saver	27
Le. Hunt, R.M., c Hayward, b Reed	23
Capt. Tyringham, S.G., c Leach, b Saver	36
Capt. Dobbie, K.O.S.B., b Saver	22
Capt. Erskine, S.G., c and b Saver	21
Pay-Lt. Com. Shaw, R.N., c sub. b Leach	30
Rev. R. T. Venn, R.N., l.b.w. b Leach	36
Le. Cecil, R.N., c Scott, b Saver	23
S.G.M.S., Newberry, st. b Pearce	5
Tol. Wood, not out	0
Extras: byes, 3; lb., 3; wide 1	7
Total	251

Fall of wickets:—1/13; 2/47; 3/74; 4/100; 5/131; 6/156; 7/204; 8/232; 9/251; 10/251.

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.	
E. B. Reed	10 3 68 2
D. W. Leach	29.1 4 65 4
G. R. Saver	16 0 75 4
E. W. Hamilton	8 0 36 0

Bowled 1 wide.

Note—As there will be no issue of the Daily Press on Tuesday, the completed account of to-day's and to-morrow's play will appear in the issue of Wednesday, R.A.

THE LEAGUES.

UNIVERSITY 2ND BEAT R.N. 2ND.

KOWLOON IN FORM IN FRIENDLY.

Despite the prevailing bad light some interesting play was seen in the League and Friendly matches on Saturday and decisions were reached in all cases. Interest centred in the second division in which the three leading clubs were engaged. They were victorious in each case and thus retained their positions in the Table.

The University gained a creditable victory over the Royal Navy on their own ground. From a spectators' point of view, the match was the best of the day in this division. The Royal Navy, who batted first, and by compiling 157 runs looked like winning, but the University playing with their usual zeal and enthusiasm steadily won their way out, however, without some anxious moments.

The Club de Recreo and the R.A.O.C. who are running neck and neck for the runners, up position met respectively H.M.S. Tamar and the Civil Service Cricket Club. The two winners have yet to meet and speculation prevails as to who is likely to prove stronger.

In the Senior Division, the Craigengower had little difficulty in adding another three points to their credit by beating the Royal Artillery. Kowloon and University who are both favourites for League honours, had a crack at each other in one of the friendly matches, the former coming off with flying colours, but the latter did not field regular team.

The details follow—

DIVISION I.

CRAIGENGOWER v. R.A.

On their own ground, the Craigengower beat the Royal Artillery by the narrow margin of 7 runs only.

The Home team first compiled 111 runs of which 40 were made by Y. Abbas and F. K. Modi who made a stand for the last wicket. Capt. Howard made a great individual effort to save the match, but did not receive support from the others.

Scores—

Craigengower C.C.	
H. P. Lim, st. Fogden, b Musson	9
A. Ritchell, c Howard, b Leach	20
E. Zimmerman, b Leach	8
G. Abbas, c Leach, b Musson	4
A. B. Harrison, c and b Leach	15
A. M. Omar, c Broadbridge, b Leach	0
D. Fritz, c Glazebrook, b Leach	5
N. Mackay, b Musson	4
Y. Abbas, not out	23
F. Oliver, b Musson	0
F. K. Modi, c Beaton, b Musson	21
Extras	2
Total	111

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.	
Musson	14.4 4 59 5
Leach	13 3 49 5
Howard	1 0 10 0

Royal Artillery.

Mr. Gen. Fogden, c Mackay, b B.S.M. Bennett, b Hamson	10
Le. H. Musson, c and b Hamson	0
Sergt. Leach, c Mackay, b Fritz	6
Gen. Bacon, c Oliver, b Fritz	12
Le. Miller, c S. Abbas, b Fritz	7
B.S.M. Broadbridge, c Fritz	0
Abbas, b Fritz	8
Br. Hole, b Oliver	5
Sergt. Glazebrook, b Oliver	0
Capt. Howard, not out	23
Le. Hall, b Fritz	2
Extras	5
Total	104

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.	
Hamson	9 1 35 3
Fritz	14 2 48 5
Oliver	5 0 18 2

ENGLAND v. SOUTH AFRICA.

HOME TEAM'S FINE RECOVERY

DEANE RALLIES THE SIDE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

DURBAN, January 21st.—The third Test Match between South Africa and the M.C.C. team opened here to-day (Saturday). It was a bright sunny day and over 2,000 people were present. Deane, the South African captain, won the toss and elected to bat on an easy wicket. Things, however, went badly at first for the Home side three good wickets being lost for 53 runs before the lunch interval.

The position was improved in the afternoon thanks to a stand by Nicolson, who made 39, and Deane who was 49 not out at the tea interval, when the score stood at 181 for 7.

Resuming, Deane continued to bat well, raising his score to 77. Nupen also hit out well for 51. Wyatt apparently caused a collapse as he took three wickets for four runs.

England then scored 42 runs without loss. Scores:—

South Africa: 216.

England: 42 for 0.

DIVISION II.

UNIVERSITY v. ROYAL NAVY.

In a fine match, the University beat the Royal Navy by 25 runs. The Royal Navy batting first put up 157 runs to which Lieut. Comdr. McNair contributed 53 and Lieut. Comdr. Majendie 40, not out. A great effort by Hiphook, the University Captain, was mainly responsible for his side's win. Good scores were also contributed by W. M. Gutings (23), A. T. Lee (23) and A. Chan Fook (23).

Scores:—

Royal Navy, 157.

University, 172.

RECREO v. "TAMAR."

On their own ground the Club de Recreo had little difficulty in beating H.M.S. Tamar. The visitors batted first and were dismissed for the poor total of 43 runs; Beasley (30) being the only batsman to reach double figures. Pappa took 5 wickets for 18 runs. The Portuguese following on scored 69. Waters bowled exceptionally well for the latter and took with 5 wickets for 6 runs in 6 overs.

Scores:—

H.M.S. Tamar: 42.

Club de Recreo: 69.

CIVIL SERVICE v. R.A.O.C.

The Civil Service Cricket Club failed to make a show against the R.A.O.C. in a League encounter on their own ground. Hale (6 for 16 runs) and Strange (5 for 28) were the best bowlers for the winners and losers respectively. For the R.A.O.C. L. Cpl. Buyer made 24 and Q.M.S. Butterfield 23.

Scores:—

C.S.C.C.: 38.

R.A.O.C.: 94.

LEAGUE TABLES.

Clubs.	M.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
University	5	5	0	0	15
Craigengower	8	3	2	3	12
Royal Navy	5	3	0	2	11
I.R.C. "A"	5	2	1	2	8
Chinese R.C.	6	1	3	2	5
Kowloon C.C.	2	1	0	1	4
Civil Service	5	1	3	1	4
Royal Artillery	5	1	4	0	3
I.R.C. "B"	5	0	4	1	1

DIVISION II.

Clubs.	M.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
University	6	6	0	0	18
Recreo	6	5	1	0	15
R.A.O.C.	6	5	1	0	15
Kowloon C.C.	5	3	1	1	10
Royal Navy	7	3	4	0	9
H.K. Electric	4	2	2	0	6
Civil Service	6	2	4	0	6
Royal Engineers	6	1	5	0	3
Police R.C.	6	1	5	0	3
H.M.S. Tamar	6	0	5	1	1

FRIENDLY MATCHES.

KOWLOON C.C. v. UNIVERSITY.

The Kowloon C.C. appeared in very fine form against the University; their chief rivals in the First Division League and won easily. The University did not field their regular team and suffered in consequence. Rev. E. K. Quick, of Interport fame, made a welcome reappearance for the side after an absence of several years, but did not have any luck with bat. The University were dismissed for 58 runs. C. W. Lam (20, not out), was the chief contributor. Goodwin bowled with effect and took 6 wickets for 22 runs. Kowloon replied with 212 runs for 7 wickets. Rance (23), Ramay (40), Rev. Murray (30, not out) and Capt. Bevis (30) swelled the winners' total.

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DOCKYARD RECREATION CLUB.

PRESENTATION OF SPORTS PRIZES.

COMMODORE PEARSON PRESENT.

An enjoyable evening was spent by a large gathering at the Royal Naval Dockyard Recreation Club on Saturday when the prizes won in the various sports tournaments during last season were distributed by Commodore J. L. Pearson, R.N., C.M.G.

Those taking part in an excellent vocal concert which was given were Mrs. J. Hurst, Mrs. Lockhart, Messrs. A. L. Cusack, A. B. Allan, F. Lewis and Lettington. Several magical feats by Mr. W. R. Savage with his assistant Mr. C. Jones were also well received.

The Commodore's Shield was won by the Commander of Dockyard Department, the trophy being received by Commander C. H. Phillips amid much applause.

It is noteworthy that in the shooting championship Mr. W. E. Cook won for the third year in succession.

The Prize List.

The tournaments and winners during the 1927 season were:—

Billiards Handicap:—1, Mr. F. T. Jones; 2, Mr. A. M. Oswald.

Snooker Handicap:—1, Mr. G. Gull; 2, Mr. A. A. Lewis.

Tennis Singles Championship:—1, Mr. W. Matthews; 2, Mr. F. W. Black.

Tennis Doubles Handicap:—1, Mr. W. Matthews; 2, R. W. Sapsed.

Tennis Doubles Handicap:—1, Messrs. Black and Crocker; 2, Messrs. Evans and Sapsed.

Shooting Championship:—1, Mr. W. E. Cook; 2, Mr. W. Garrett.

Shooting Cup (Handicap):—1, Mr. W. E. Cook; 2, Mr. J. W. Jefford.

Dongal Silver Medal for Shooting:—Mr. W. Garrett.

Swimming Championship:—1, Mr. W. R. Harvey; 2, Mr. H. M. Griffiths.

Swimming Handicap:—Mr. W. R. Harvey.

Department:—Winning Commander's Shield:—Commander of Dockyard.

INTERNATIONAL RUGBY.

ENGLAND BEAT WALES.

BIG CROWD PRESENT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

London, January 21st.—Playing at Swansea, before 40,000 spectators, England beat Wales at Rugby by 10 points to 5 points.

INTERPORT SOCCER.

MATCH POSTPONED.

GROUND SODDEN AT SHANGHAI.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Shanghai, January 21st.—The Interport soccer match between Shanghai and Hong Kong has been postponed, the ground being under water.

ROYAL HONG KONG GOLF CLUB.

LADIES SECTION.

A bogey competition will be held on the New Course, Fanling, on Friday, February 17th for a prize kindly presented by Mrs. F. M. Crawford, 3/4 handicap allowed.

POLICE R.C. v. HONG KONG ELECTRIC CO.

In a low scoring match the Police Recreation Club had the better of the exchanges from the Hong Kong Electric Co. on their own ground. The visitors batting first scored 31 runs only. Norington being top scorer with 41. Baker had the remarkable analysis of 5 wickets for 3 runs, while Alexander took 4 wickets for 23 runs. The Police did not fare much better and made 52 runs for 9 wickets. C. E. Alexander (14) and W. Meadows (12) were the top scorers. Murdoch took 6 wickets for 22 runs.

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

SATURDAY'S RESULTS.

HONG KONG F.C. BEAT SOUTH CHINA.

The following are the results of matches played on Saturday last:

Hong Kong League: Division I.

Hong Kong F.C., 5; South China, 2.

K.O.S.B.'s, 0; R.A. 0.

Division II. "A."

Kowloon Reserves, 3; China Ath. Res., 0.

St. Joseph's, 4; University, 1.

Division II. "B."

South China "B", 1; Kowloon "B", 0.

Friendly.

Kowloon F.C., 2; H.M.S. Titania, 4.

The following League games were postponed.—

Division I.

R.A.F. v. Queen's Regt.

Division II. "A."

H.K.F.C. Res. v. K.O.S.B. Res.

Division II. "B."

South China "A" v. Kwong Woo.

China Athletic v. Moslem Club.

NOTES ON THE GAMES.

Hong Kong Club v. South China.

This game was played on the H.K.F.C. ground before a poor attendance. Bishop, the Club Captain, led the attack, Lyon replacing him at back, with Wallington as partner.

South China were early attacking, being very smart on the ball. Although they had the better of the opening exchanges, the Club took the lead when Smith received close in and scored with a well placed shot. Again South China took up the attack, but Rodger got the ball away.

Returning to the attack, South China made the score equal when Pang Wah Hing sent in a shot that Rodger failed to stop.

South China went out for the lead but wild shooting lost several chances, the interval arriving with the score one all.

Exchanges were even in the opening minutes of the second half but from a breakaway by the Club, Bishop banged in a shot that left the goalkeepers standing. Almost from the centre kick, the ball was in the Club goal, Lieut. Chai giving Rodger no chance. With the teams again level, play got a bit too strenuous, but Sgt. Hyson, the referee, kept the players well in hand. Alexander gave the Club the lead again during a scrimmage in the goalmouth. The Club attacked strongly and were awarded a penalty. Bishop converting from the spot kick, South China now being two goals down, were very erratic and a foul just outside the penalty area against them gave the Club their fifth and last goal.

Final score, Hong Kong F.C., 3; South China, 2.

K.O.S.B.'s v. R.A.

This game was played on the Garrison ground at Sookpoo.

The Gunners had out a couple of new men in Hill and French, but badly missed Leach and Ward from the attack. The K.O.S.B.'s were at full strength. Throughout, the game was keenly contested, over keenness at times throwing away good chances to score.

Anderson and Phillips in the respective goals were in great form. With the wind in their favour, the Gunners attacked strongly, but failed close in. They were at centre-half for the K.O.S.B.'s, in good form, but his forwards lost many a good opening.

Trim was the staidier of the Gunners' backs, although Excell played a hard game. The K.O.S.B.'s had the slight advantage in midfield, but on the whole there was little to choose between the two teams.

A goalless draw was the result.

Division II. "A."

St. Joseph's v. University.

St. Joseph's fielded a strong side on the South China ground in this game against the University. The opening exchanges were even but, after twenty minutes play, Smith gave the College the lead. Leonard put them further ahead and before the interval, Yau scored for the University. St. Joseph's were a goal up when the second half opened and Leonard scored twice for them without reply from the University. St. Joseph's winning a fast game by four goals to one.

Kowloon Reserves v. China Athletic Reserves.

This game was played on the H.K.F.C. ground



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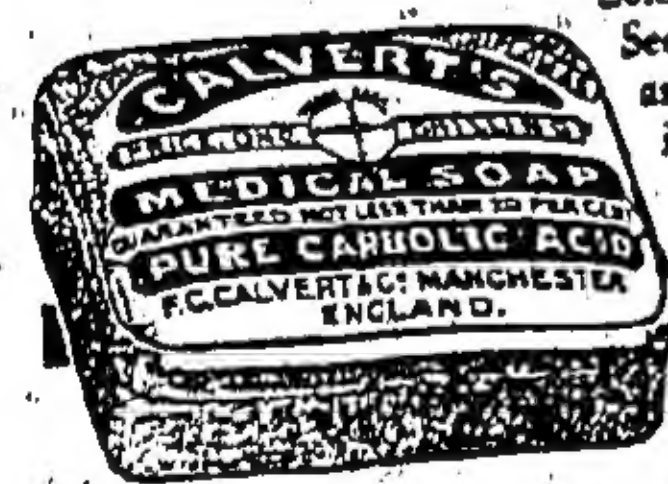
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KWANTI STEEPLECHASE MEETING.

THRILLING FINISHES AND GOOD DIVIDENDS

The China New Year Meeting at Kwanti on Saturday afternoon was well attended and the fare provided was excellent. The racing improves at every Meeting as the fields are getting bigger and the ponies are jumping well the result, being few refusals or spills.

Those present included H.E. Major-General Luard, C.B., C.M.G., Mrs. D. G. M. Bernard, Mrs. R. J. Paterson, and Mrs. J. J. Paterson, Lieut.-Col. Comyn and Mrs. Comyn, Comdr. Hartford, R.N., and Mrs. Hartford, and Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Mackie.

The Gunners dispensed their usual hospitality and the public refreshment tent had added tea to their menu which was very acceptable to those who have got the habit.

The Borderers had a good day and were very much in evidence. They had apparently taken advantage of their stay in Camp to train their ponies and their efforts were duly rewarded. Col. Comyn won two races and Mr. Shillington got a third place with his Ace of Spades. The remaining three races were divided between Mr. M. M. Watson, Mr. Usher and Messrs. Reid and Stanton. The Hunters Arms gains another 3 beer mugs as winners of races are expected to contribute a pewter mug with the name of the owner, jockey and race engraved on it. There were some close finishes and the Kwanti New Year handicap was a particularly good race and a compliment to Mr. Bulteel who, I understand, was responsible for the weights.

THE RACING.

There was a field of 14 for the first race and I take no credit in selecting San Diego as the winner as he is in a different class to the ponies he was running against. Scooter put up a good fight and I was rather surprised to see him beat Man-of-War for second place although he just managed to do so by half a length.

The second race 13 ponies turned out and Macao Beauty was made the favourite. Interest was sustained throughout the race and the issue was always in doubt. Macao Beauty apparently could not stay the distance and was passed before the last jump by Blotting Paper and James Pigg. The two latter ponies had a thrilling tussle in the straight and Blotting Paper proved the winner of a magnificent race by a neck from James Pigg with Macao Beauty third.

The big race of the day proved rather a farce as only two ponies turned out. Easter Day won as I anticipated. The other starter, Caviare, was well ridden by Osborne and put up a good performance.

The fourth race saw the Borderers work bearing fruit. Dumbbell, ably piloted by Shillington, won by many lengths in a field of eleven with Drake and Yorks filling the places. Shillington is riding excellently and it's a pity he's too heavy for the flat. The winner paid \$100 for a win and \$20.30 for a place and there was joy in the camp of the Scots. Sunning was the favourite but he upset his rider, Charles, in the early part of the race.

Col. Comyn secured another victory in the last race with Durham work bearing fruit. Dumbbell, ably piloted by Shillington, won by many lengths in a field of eleven with Drake and Yorks filling the places. Shillington is riding excellently and it's a pity he's too heavy for the flat. The winner paid \$100 for a win and \$20.30 for a place and there was joy in the camp of the Scots. Sunning was the favourite but he upset his rider, Charles, in the early part of the race.

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In Charge of Paddock:—Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin.

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Striker:—Lieut.-Col. G. K. Hall.

Joint Masters:—Mr. Birkett, Dr. F. Pierce-Grove.

Clerk of the Course:—Dr. F. Pierce-Grove.

THE RESULTS.

Race 1: January Maiden Plate: One Mile.

Messrs. Stanton and Reid's San Diego, 159 lbs. (Mr. Reid) 1

Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Scooter, 140 lbs. (Mr. Bulteel) 2

Mr. Hee Cheong's Man-of-War, 156 lbs. (Mr. Charles) 3

Won by three lengths; half a length between second and third.

Pari-mutuel:—

Winner: \$7.50.

Places: 1st, \$5.90; 2nd, \$6; 3rd, \$3.80.

Winner Places.

San Diego 60 25

Scooter 18 22

Man-of-War 10 26

Alhambra 3 16

Seal Tax 3 4

Rupert 2 4

Nimrod 1 0

Chick To 1 0

Cumberland 1 0

Dumbbell 0 3

Lochearn 0 2

Borderer 0 0

Pekin 0 0

Tarzali 0 0

Race 2: Kwanti New Year Handicap: 1 1/2 Miles.

Mr. Watson's Blotting Paper, 156 lbs. (Mr. Durlacher) 1

Mr. Macnamara's James Pigg, 157 lbs. (Mr. Miller) 2

Messrs. Usher and Reid's Macao Beauty, 159 lbs. (Mr. Reid) 3

Won by a neck; four lengths between second and third.

Pari-mutuel:—

Winner: \$39.70.

Places: 1st, \$3.40; 2nd, \$9.20; 3rd, \$5.70.

Winner Places.

Macao Beauty 54 32

More Butter 10 18

Blotting Paper 12 16

James Pigg 7 43

Red Leaves 6 12

Wai Chow 4 5

Wowner 2 5

Craigavad 1 2

Citra 1 1

Silver Fox 0 1

Kandoo 0 0

Ace of Spades 0 0

Circe 0 0

Race 3: Felling Cup: 1 1/2 Miles.

Mr. Usher's Easter Day, 158 lbs. (Mr. Reid) 1

Mr. Maas's Caviare, 158 lbs. (Mr. Osborne) 2

Won by two lengths.

Pari-mutuel:—

Winner: \$6.50.

Place: 1st, \$7.20.

Winner Places.

Easter Day 33 13

Caviare 15 8

Race 4: Heavy Weight Stakes: One Mile.

Col. Comyn's Dumbbell, 168 lbs. (Mr. Shillington) 1

Dr. Durran's Drake, 168 lbs. (Dr. Durran) 2

Mrs. Dyer's Yorks, 158 lbs. (Mr. Stanton) 3

Won by many lengths; many lengths between second and third; third pony won by a head.

Pari-mutuel:—

Winner: \$162.00.

Places: 1st, \$20.30; 2nd, \$10.50; 3rd, \$17.50.

Winner Places.

Sunning 91 57

Iron General 22 24

Drake 10 25

Yorks 9 11

Dumbbell 4 9

Smart Guy 2 3

Shady Joe 2 1

Durian 1 3

Foxtro 1 2

Race 5: January Stakes: Seven Furlongs.

Col. Comyn's Durham, 158 lbs. (Mr. Sugden) 1

Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Humding, 163 lbs. (Mr. Bulteel) 2

Mr. Shillington's Ace of Spades, 164 lbs. (Mr. Shillington) 3

Won by many lengths; half a length between second and third.

Pari-mutuel:—

Winner: \$31.40.

Places: 1st, \$8.50; 2nd, \$8; 3rd, \$31.00.

Winner Places.

Humding 47 29

Loch Rannoch 25 22

Durham 21 25

Wai Chow 13 8

Sunning 10 12

Nimrod 5 6

Man-of-War 5 6

Seal Tax 2 3

Ace of Spades 2 1

Rupert 2 0

Tarzali 1 2

Races Horse 1 2

Borderer 1 0

Pekin 1 0

(Continued on next column.)

TRAINING TIMES AT HAPPY VALLEY.

SATURDAY MORNING'S GALLOPS.

[By RAPIER.]

The following are a few of the times taken at Happy Valley on Saturday morning. Unless otherwise stated the gallops were on the grass—

Deep Water Bay, 1 1/2 miles:—30; 1.17; 1.53.4; 2.20; 3.03. Last quarter 34.

Peck, 1 1/2 miles:—40; 1.18.2; 1.50; 2.32.2; 3.07; 3.39.4. Last quarter 32.4.

The Gannet and Tangle, 1 1/2 miles:—50; 1.37; 2.23; 3.04; 3.40; 4.12. Last quarter 32.

Bay of Iceland and Geronimo, 1 mile:—40; 1.17.4; 1.53; 2.29.2. Last quarter 36.2.

Eliot Bay, 1 mile:—39.2; 1.15; 1.47; 2.17. Last quarter 30.

Pickle, 1 1/2 miles:—39.2; 1.13.4; 1.46.4; 2.20; 2.52.2. Last quarter 32.2.

U-Lin, 1 1/2 miles:—39; 1.15; 1.50; 2.23.2; 2.53.3. Last quarter 34.

Boxing Eve (sand), 1 1/2 miles:—36; 1.11.3; 1.47.2; 2.20.4; 2.52.3. Last quarter 31.4.

Hudson Bay, 1 1/2 miles:—44.1; 1.18; 1.56; 2.33; 3.08.2; 3.42.2. Last quarter 34.

Monterey Bay, 1 mile:—35; 1.08; 1.41.2. Last quarter 32.2.

Comrade (sand), 1 1/2 miles:—43.3; 1.19; 1.51; —; 3.05; 3.38.4. Last quarter 33.4.

New Year's Eve (sand), 1 1/2 miles:—42; 1.21; 1.57; 2.35; 3.09; 3.41.3; 4.13. Last quarter 31.2.

Yuen Sin, 1 mile:—38.2; 1.13; 1.47; 2.21.1. Last quarter 34.1.

Captain (sand), 1 1/2 miles:—45; 1.24.2; 2.04; 2.41; 3.15; 3.46.3. Last quarter 31.3.

Brown Jug, 1 mile:—36; 1.10; 1.42.3. Last quarter 32.3.

Bay of Greenland, 1 mile:—37.3; 1.15.2; 1.53; 2.29.2. Last quarter 36.2.

Gala Eve and Twilight Eve, 1 mile:—32; 1.15.2; 1.49.2; 2.22.4. Last quarter 32.2.

Heir Apparent, 1 mile:—47; 1.28.1; 2.05; 2.33; 3.08.4. Last quarter 29.

Sitting Bull, 1 1/2 miles:—35; 1.11; 1.47; 2.20; 2.52.2. Last quarter 32.2.

Social Call and Siang River, 1 1/2 miles:—46; 1.27.3; 2.06.4; 2.42; 3.14.2. Last quarter 32.2.

Bakers Bay, 1 1/2 miles:—36; 1.13.1; 1.48.1; 2.21.2; 2.55.4. Last quarter 33.3.

Cook Bay, 1 1/2 miles:—38; 1.12.2; 1.49; 2.23.3; 2.55.4. Last quarter 32.1.

There was a fair number of people round the rails and in addition to those usually present one noticed Mrs. K. C. Mackie and Mrs. Austin also the Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes.

LUCKY NUMBERS.

There were only two runners in the third race, with the result that all the money subscribed for the sweep has been divided between two tickets.

There numbers were:—

Ticket No. 3655 \$182.40

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WINNING TICKETS IN THE \$5 USUAL SWEEPS.

The results of the usual \$5 cash sweeps on each race were:—

Race I.

Cash Sweep:—

Ticket No. 21 \$56.00

20 16.00

7 8.00

Unplaced \$5 each, Nos. 42, 11, 24, 29, 12, 3, 13, 18, 14, 17.

Race II.

Cash Sweep:—

Ticket No. 19 \$72.10

10 20.80

9 10.30

Unplaced \$5 each, Nos. 33, 26, 24, 42, 11, 16, 8, 2, 6, 3.

Race III.

Cash Sweep:—

Ticket No. 6 \$97.00

23 33.00

Race IV.

Cash Sweep:—

Ticket No. 20 \$101.50

22 29.00

42 14.50

Unplaced \$10 each, Nos. 31, 27, 20, 24, 13, 18, 33, 5.

Race V.

Cash Sweep:—

Ticket No. 38 \$74.20

46 21.20

23 10.00

Unplaced \$10 each, Nos. 31, 7, 36, 22, 41, 14, 24, 47, 44, 8, 20.

KEEP THE DATE OPEN.

HOME FOOTBALL RESULTS.

SCOTTISH CUP AND LEAGUE GAMES.

SOME HEAVY SCORING.

Home teams won the majority of the matches and, as usual, scored more goals than visiting teams both in the first round of the Scottish Cup Competition and the English League matches on Saturday.

In the Scottish Cup matches the fixture between Dumbarton and Hamilton was postponed owing to the ground being under water. Dykehead withdrew from the competition and their fixture with Hibernians did not come off. Glasgow University, Bathgate, Archibute and Clarkmannan played on foreign soil instead of at home, and incidentally all of them lost their matches. Clarkmannan fell to Third Lanark by 10 goals; Bathgate lost to Celtic (last season's winners) by three goals to one.

The biggest score of the day was a dozen goals by Cowdenbeath in their meeting with Johnstone. Other heavy scores were by Partick 9, Inverness Caledonia 1; Morton 7, Mid-Annamdale 3; St. Mirren 6, Clyde 1; Rangers 6, East Stirling 0.

There were few drawn games in the English League matches and home teams had all the luck. Visiting teams in Division II won only one game, eight decisions going to home teams and two matches being drawn.

The leading positions in all divisions remain the same. The only change worth recording is in Division I, where Blackburn offered a surprising defeat by Wednesday who are at the bottom of the table. This reverse sent Blackburn from fourth to six position. Cardiff and Newcastle by their successes improved their standing.

The English League tables appended show the standing of the teams to date. There were no matches in the Scottish League on Saturday and the table given has suffered no change.

GOALS AND WINS.

Home Teams, 20; Away Teams, 11; Total, 31. Home Wins, 7; Away Wins, 2; Drawn Matches, 1.

Division II.

Home Teams, 31; Away Teams, 10; Total, 41. Home Wins, 8; Away Wins, 1; Drawn Matches, 2.

Division III (Southern).

Home Teams, 33; Away Teams, 10; Total, 43. Home Wins, 6; Away Wins, 2; Drawn Matches, 5.

Division III (Northern).

Home Teams, 23; Away Teams, 11; Total, 34. Home Wins, 6; Away Wins, 3; Drawn Matches, 5.

Grand Totals.

Home Teams, 117; Away Teams, 64; Grand Total, 181. Home Wins, 27; Away Wins, 9; Drawn Matches, 5.

SCOTTISH CUP.

First Round.

Boath 1, Airdrieonians 4.
Rath Rovers 4, Aberdeen 3.
Albion 2, Fraserburgh 0.
Vale of Leven 1, Leith Athletic 2.
Aberdeen 3, Glasgow Rangers 1.
Celtic 3, Bathgate 1.
Brechin 2, Loddington 1.
Queen's Park 2, Airdrie 0.
East Stirling 0, Rangers 6.
Third Lanark 10, Clarkmannan 0.
Hearts 2, St. Johnstone 2.
Ayr 0, 2, Boles 0.
Morton 7, Mid-Annamdale 3.
G. S. Stewart 0, King's Park 2.
Ardnamore 2, Hibernians 1.
Cowdenbeath 12, Johnstone 0.
Partick 9, Inverness Caledonia 1.
Vale of Ayr 2, Newton Stewart 1.
Aberdeen 2, Nithsdale Wanderers 2.
Forres 2, Elgin City 1.
Stranraer 2, Dundee 4.
Keith 4, Aberdeen Star 2.
Falkirk 2, St. Bernard's 1.
St. Mirren 6, Clyde 1.
Leith Athletic 2, Kilmarnock 3.
Huntly 0, Motherwell 3.
East Fife 1, Dundee U. 1.

The match between Dumbarton and Hamilton was postponed owing to the ground being flooded. The match between the Hibernians and Dykehead was not played, the latter team having scratched from the competition.

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Division I.

Aston 0, Aston Villa 3.
Birmingham 2, Everton 2.
Bolton 2, Burnley 1.
Burnley 3, Sheffield U. 3.
Leicester 4, Derby 0.
Liverpool 2, Sunderland 5.
Huddersfield 4, Tottenham 2.
Middlesbrough 1, Cardiff 2.
Newcastle 4, Manchester U. 1.
Preston 2, West Ham 1.
Wednesday 4, Blackburn 1.

Division II.

Bristol 0, Grimsby 0.
Chelsea 1, Fulham 1.
Clapton 0, 2, Blackpool 5.
Half 1, Port Vale 0.
Manchester 3, St. Shields 0.
Nottingham 2, Leeds 2.
Preston N.E. 5, Wolves 4.
Southampton 3, Notts. Only 1.
Stoke 2, Oldham 0.
Swansea 3, Barnsley 0.
West Brom. 3, Reading 3.

Division III (Southern).

Brentford 0, Queen's P.R. 3.
Coventry 2, Bristol R. 3.
Crystal Palace 4, Southend 1.
Exeter 1, Northants 1.
Gillingham 3, Plymouth 1.
Luton 3, Bournemouth 2.
Millwall 6, Brighton 0.
Newport 4, Charlton 3.
Norwich 4, Watford 0.
Torquay 4, Norwich 2.
Walsall 2, Merthyr 2.

Division III (Northern).

Accrington 1, Doncaster 3.
Bradford 0, 2, Bradford 0.
Chesterfield 0, Bradford 0.
Durham 1, Stockport 2.
Hartlepool 0, Darlington 1.
Lincoln 3, Ashington 1.
New Brighton 6, Crewe 1.
Rochdale 3, Wigan 0.
Rotherham 4, Nelson 3.
Southport 4, Barrow 0.
Wrexham 2, Tranmere 0.

LEAGUE TABLES.

The English League Tables and Scottish League Table (Division I), up to and including matches completed on Saturday, are appended.

DIVISION I.

P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Everton	14	7	5	70	30	33
Huddersfield	14	4	7	63	42	32
Leicester	12	7	8	60	44	31
Cardiff	12	5	7	44	44	28
Newcastle	10	7	9	55	53	27
Blackburn	9	9	9	58	47	27
Arsenal	10	6	8	50	50	26
Liverpool	9	8	5	57	48	26
Burnley	12	5	12	52	60	26
Bolton	10	3	9	47	57	25
Sunderland	9	7	8	47	44	25
Tottenham	10	3	10	49	54	25
Bury	10	12	13	47	52	25
Middlesbrough	8	8	10	55	54	24
Sheffield U.	8	6	11	47	56	24
Derby	10	8	10	50	57	23
Manch. U.	9	5	11	41	48	23
West Ham	10	3	12	53	62	23
Aston Villa	9	4	12	49	52	22
Birmingham	8	11	9	58	51	21
Portsmouth	7	6	12	40	62	20
Wednesday	5	8	12	44	54	18

DIVISION II.

P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Manch. City	17	3	3	61	36	37
Chelsea	15	6	3	49	32	36
Leeds	15	4	6	55	30	34
Preston	13	4	6	53	35	34
Stoke	13	5	7	48	36	33
Oldham	12	6	8	48	39	30
Notts. For.	12	4	8	53	44	28
West Brom.	10	7	8	57	48	27
Bristol C.	11	5	9	49	42	27
Gillingham	9	8	8	44	50	26
Hull City	9	8	7	29	35	25
Swansea	10	5	10	51	49	25
Port Vale	11	2	11	41	37	24
Notts. C.	12	7	11	42	48	21
Clapton	7	11	10	39	53	21
Reading	7	8	12	38	52	20
Southampton	6	6	13	38	51	18
Fulham	6	5	13	39	55	17
Wolves	6	5	14	40	60	17
Blackpool	6	5	15	47	67	17
S. Shields	2	5	18	35	75	9

DIVISION III (SOUTH).

P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Millwall	17	3	4	78	32	37
Northants	17	3	5	59	33	33
Exeter	17	9	3	44	27	31
Plymouth	13	3	8	53	37	29
Swindon	11	5	4	55	37	27
Charlton	12	9	4	34	33	27
Q.P.R.	12	11	4	34	26	26
Newport	10	6	7	41	40	26
Brighton	10	5	9	47	47	25
Southend	11	1	10	40	39	23
Crystal Palace	7	7	13	33	43	22
Bournemouth	8	5	13	39	42	22
Brentford	9	3	12	46	49	20
Norwich	7	6	10	46	44	20
Coventry	8	4	11	44	53	20
Gillingham	8	7	9	36	45	19
Bristol Rovers	8	2	14	46	59	18
Merthyr	5	8	12	36	53	18
Watford	6	4	13	37	48	16
Torquay	5	6	12	25	57	16
Walsall	4	4	14	33	64	16
Luton	5	4	13	50	52	14

DIVISION III (NORTH).

P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Bradford	16	6	2	50	24	38
Doncaster	14	4	4	54	19	36
Stockport	14	3	7	47	31	31
Lincoln	13	4	8	50	48	30
Tranmere	12	6	5	49	28	28
Hull A.	10	8	7	43	38	28
Grimsby	12	3	8	38	35	27
Barnsley	12	3	9	46	37	26
Accrington	12	3	9	46	37	26
Rochdale	12	1	10	30	49	25
Bradford C.	8	7	4	38	25	23
Hartlepool	10	5	11	43	47	25
Darlington	10	4	9	47	37	24
Chesterfield	8	7	10	40	44	23
Southport	10	2	11	40	48	22
N.Brighton	8	5	9	41	35	21
Rotherham	7	6	10	30	40	20
Crewe	10	4	7	41	43	19
Nelson	7	3	14	47	74	17
Durham	7	5	13	34	61	17
Ashington	5	7	13	37	67	17
Wigan	6	5	14	29	50	15
Barrow	5	4	13	30	71	14

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Rangers	14	4	2	77	24	40
Motherwell	13	6	3	68	29	38
Celtic	14	6	3	64	21	36
Hearts	14	4	7	57	32	32
Kilmarnock	13	7	4	49	29	32
St. Mirren	13	3	9	51	54	29
Partick	11	5	9	61	47	27
Dundee	11	5	9	41	48	27
Greenock	11	5	9	41	48	27
West Brom.	11	5	9	41	48	27
Wrexham	11	5	9	41	48	27

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SWIMMING.

NEW QUARTER-MILE RECORD.

(THROUGH RECTOR'S AGENCY.)

BRISBANE, Jan. 21st.
Arrie Borge's world record of 5 mins. 31 secs. for the quarter-mile was twice beaten in the Australian championships by Jones of West Australia, 5 mins. 22.25 secs.

AN IDEAL PETER PAN AGAIN.

TRIUMPH FOR MISS JEAN FORBES-ROBERTSON.

CHILDREN OF OLDER STARS.

A Peter Pan who is a real fairy boy, and not an actress playing the part, thrilled the first audience at the Gaiety Theatre, London, when the Barrie story of the boy who would not grow up was again revived for the holiday season.

The Peter Pan was Jean Forbes-Robertson, and "sitting" watching her every elfin movement and her boyish look were her famous father and mother, Sir Johnston and Lady Forbes-Robertson. In a box Sir James Barrie smiled with satisfaction when Peter, inspired with his subject and his audience, called on the children to save Tinker Bell's life. It is many years since there have been such spontaneous shouts and clapping.

A Thorndike Wendy.
Mary Casson, the 13-year-old daughter of Miss Sybil Thorndike and Mr. Lewis Casson, made a Wendy lovely, fascinating and true to the Barrie standard. According to one old playgoer, there has been only one other Wendy to compare with Mary's.

Jean Forbes-Robertson, whether fighting the pirates or being tender with Wendy or fathering the lost boys, was always the boy of a fairy world who was determined not to grow or be mothered.

Master Freddie Springett, a Deptford schoolboy, very tiny although over 12, played the part of Michael, and never missed a wriggle of the laughs of his part. It was his stage debut, and won, with honours for Miss Italia Conti. It was a disappointment for many people that Henry Ainley was prevented through illness from taking his parts of Mr. Darling and Captain Hook, but Frank Allanby and William Luff respectively stepped in and appeared in them with splendid competence.

Maria Lehr as Mrs. Darling.
And with Marie Lehr as Mrs. Darling and so many of the old brigade in their old parts there is the best cast for "Peter Pan" in many long years. Miss Lehr brings to the part of the mother a sweetness and reality that is very beautiful. John Kelt, who grew a beard for the part, plays Noddy as again; he is Peter Pan's uncle in private life. Olive Drew is Liza, and among the lost boys is Mary Love, daughter of Mabel Love. She was chosen to play Tootles out of many other little girls, and shows promise of great things to come.

WORTH A MEDAL!

THE SOLDIER WHO HAD TO "WAIT FOR IT."

A little story of Hulse Land-Reuters's New York correspondent sends it:

In 1862.
Mr. Charles Hopkins, aged 25, of Boonton, New Jersey, was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honour for bravery in the American Civil War.

In 1892.
Mr. Charles Hopkins, aged 55, received the medal from the War Department.

To-day.
Mr. Charles Hopkins, aged 90, received the certificate and citation which go with the medal.

Aberdeen	12	3	11	45	47	27
Falkirk	12	2	11	50	41	26
Hibernians	10	5	10	51	45	25
St. John						
Stone	10	5	11	47	50	25
Airdrie	10	7	10	30	49	22
Dundee	9	4	12	41	62	22
Queen's Pk.	7	5	13	45	52	19
Hamilton	7	4	14	47	56	18
Raith R.	6	5	13	43	62	17
Clyde	7	3	15	32	59	14
Bohemia	6	2	16	29	61	14
Cowden	3	2	20	20	89	8

GOLF NOTES.

(BY R. H. H.)

On Wednesday the Interport matches start with the foursomes between Hong Kong and Shanghai, while on the two following days Hong Kong play Manila and Shanghai and Manila meet. On the next three days singles are played in the same order.

Some players are deploring the fact that the foursomes are being played before the singles. As I mentioned last week, this seems to me a curious attitude to adopt.

Even in one day matches I am a strong supporter of the foursomes as against the single for the morning match. When it is a question of 36-hole matches in both foursomes and singles it seems to me even more essential that the foursomes should be played first.

Supposing that in the Interport matches the singles were played first and one team lost 4 games and halved the other two. Even if all the foursomes were won that particular team would still be down, and under these circumstances it is obviously difficult to produce one's best golf. On the other hand, even if all three foursomes were lost on the first day, there would be a sporting chance of getting a lead of four matches on the singles.

The Interport matches of course are scored on points, so that these arguments would have no effect if one could eliminate human nature. But as golf is one of the most human and one of the most antagonistic of games, and as the rivalry among the three ports is pretty keen, it stands to reason that the desire actually to beat the other teams is very strong.

At any period when any club happens to hold a meeting, one always hears a certain amount of grumbling from players who maintain that they play the game for the game's sake, and not for the sake of a possible medal or spoon.

The views of one of these players are given below. They do not appear to me to be sound, but they are frequently pronounced, and they are frequently pronounced by a player who is a member of the club.

Competitions are frequently humiliating. The man who reckons he can play the Old Course round about as probably finds he is at least five shots worse than he thought he was, when everything has to go down on the card. Competition golf makes any player think about shots, whereas otherwise he would just "hit and hope." As the argument that in competition players scramble the ball into the hole anyhow, and do not mind so long as it gets there in the right figure, it takes very little time to realize that good shots produce the right effects far more consistently than bad ones. Apart from that the most villainously topped shot is far more effective and far less humiliating than the most elegant "air shot."

Has golf too many competitions? Two of the chief professional tour-namers in England have been abandoned, and this will mean a loss of more than £2,000 to the men next season. But the professional themselves have often said they are overworked during the competitive season, and that they were very liable to become stale in going the full round of the tournaments. Under these conditions their prospects in the championship were impaired.

It was on this account that they welcomed the bringing forward of the championship to the beginning of May. But the men will not lack opportunities. The prize money they will compete for will still amount to several thousands of pounds.

The number of competitions in British golf has more than doubled during the past few years. In this we have followed the lead of the Americans, much of whose success was attributed to the fact that they never missed a chance of going out with a card and pencil.

Missing The Fun.

To the keen and ambitious player, who wants to improve and bring himself up to the championship standard, competitive golf is undoubtedly a help, but those who tackle the game in this serious manner always appear to miss much of the fun it affords.

As open competitions have increased, so, too, have club events. One often thinks there are too many of these, and the fact that members take part in them does not entirely justify them. When you arrive you find it is medal day and well you take out a card. But it is significant that before going out there is usually an attempt at arrange a four-ball match in the afternoon.

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SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KALGAN"	On 29th Jan.	10 a.m.
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SWATOW, SHANGHAI & DALNY	"LIANGHON"	On 4th Feb.	8 a.m.
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Shipping News

Arrivals and Departures, etc.

ARRIVALS.

January 19th.
Hainan, Chinese str., 2,097 tons, Capt. A. Lavhovsky, from Whampoa, lying at Yau-mat, Wing Hung Co.

January 20th.
Indo Maru, Japanese str., 3,363 tons, Capt. S. Takada, from Bombay and Singapore. The former port she left on January 5th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B24—U.S.K.

Pharos, British str., 2,733 tons, Capt. G. C. Howe, from Tarrakan, which port she left on January 14th, with 5,633 tons of fuel oil, lying at North Point—A.P.C.

Scute, Norwegian str., 1,333 tons, Capt. P. J. Stolen, from Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C17—Lee Fat S.S. Co.

Wingung, Chinese str., 563 tons, Capt. L. A. de Lemos, from Kwong Chow Wan, with a general cargo, lying at Sai-kong Wharf—Yew Kee Co.

January 21st.
Anhui, British str., 2,060 tons, Capt. G. H. Pennefather, from Singapore and Amoy, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 337—B. & S.

Ceylon Maru, Japanese str., 2,593 tons, Capt. T. Saito, from Moji, which port she left on January 15th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—N.Y.K.

Hui Yang, British str., 832 tons, Capt. A. H. Stewart, from Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at Douglas Wharf—Douglas S.S. Co.

Heng Chong, Chinese str., 1,111 tons, Capt. M. Wilman, from Shanghai, which port she left on January 18th, lying at buoy No. C43—Thorsen & Co.

Hydrangea, British str., 561 tons, Capt. T. H. Ball, from Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at Chiu On Wharf—Chiu On S.S. Co.

Kachuan Maru, Japanese str., 1,425 tons, Capt. J. Adwara, from Milko, which port she left on January 10th, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. C42—M.B.K.

Akhyer, British str., 5,674 tons, Capt. C. Hester, R.D., R.N.R., from London via Singapore. The former port she left on December 15th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.

Leoni, Chinese str., 729 tons, Capt. Kwok Kau, from Kwong Chow Wan, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C42—Hop On & Co.

Linn, British str., 1,358 tons, Capt. T. G. Beer, from Haiphong and Hoihow, with general cargo and rice, lying at buoy No. B9—B. & S.

Myoko Maru, Japanese str., 1,509 tons, Capt. T. Tanaka, from Keelung, lying at buoy No. B17—Y.K.K.

Sinkiang, British str., 1,816 tons, Capt. J. Tinson, from Shanghai and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B12—B. & S.

Sumatra Maru, Japanese str., 5,362 tons, Capt. M. Kametaka, from Nagasaki, which port she left on January 18th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—O.S.K.

Takada, British str., 4,223 tons, Capt. S. K. Baird, from Calcutta and Singapore. The latter port she left on January 13th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.

(Continued on next Column.)

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Australian-Oriental Line.
Changte, Feb. 7th.
Taiping, Mar. 9th.

Bank Line.
City of Madras, to-morrow.
City of Genoa, Feb. 12th.
City of Adelaide, Feb. 14th.
City of Dunkirk, Mar. 17th.
City of Bombay, April 4th.
City of Eastbourne, April 11th.
City of Carlisle, April 14th.

Ben Line.
Benledi, Jan. 28th.

Blue Funnel Line.
Antenor, to-morrow.
Anchorage, Feb. 2nd.
Phaetodon, Feb. 5th.
Taithybin, Feb. 7th.
Jeneca, Feb. 13th.
Autolyca, Feb. 19th.
Achilles, Feb. 20th.
Polyphemus, Feb. 23rd.
Bellerophon, Mar. 2nd.
Calchas, Mar. 4th.
Sarpedon, Mar. 9th.
Rheus, Mar. 16th.
Telexias, Mar. 18th.
Tyndarus, Mar. 18th.
Menelaus, Mar. 22nd.
Eurylochus, Mar. 27th.
Automedon, April 1st.
Patroclus, April 5th.
Phemius, April 11th.
Agamemnon, April 15th.
Laomedon, April 24th.

Takago Maru, Japanese str., 1,921 tons, Capt. K. Iwakawa, from Keelung with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. C33—Y. Sato Co.

Tak Hing, Chinese str., 106 tons, Capt. Lo Sau, from Amoy, with a general cargo, lying at Luen Cheung Wharf—Fook Hoi S.S. Co.

Thalatta, Norwegian str., 3,790 tons, Capt. O. Arnesen, from Oslo and Singapore. The latter port she left on January 13th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—Thorsen & Co.

Tatung, British str., 1,424 tons, Capt. D. R. Kilbee, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B32—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

January 22nd.
Coroon, Norwegian str., 1,933 tons, Capt. O. M. Klette, from Chinwangtao, which port she left on January 16th, with coal and general cargo, lying at buoy No. B30—Dodwell & Co.

Dai Maru, Japanese str., 1,292 tons, Capt. K. Yanagita, from Swatow, with 573 tons of sundries, lying at O.S.K. Wharf—O.S.K.

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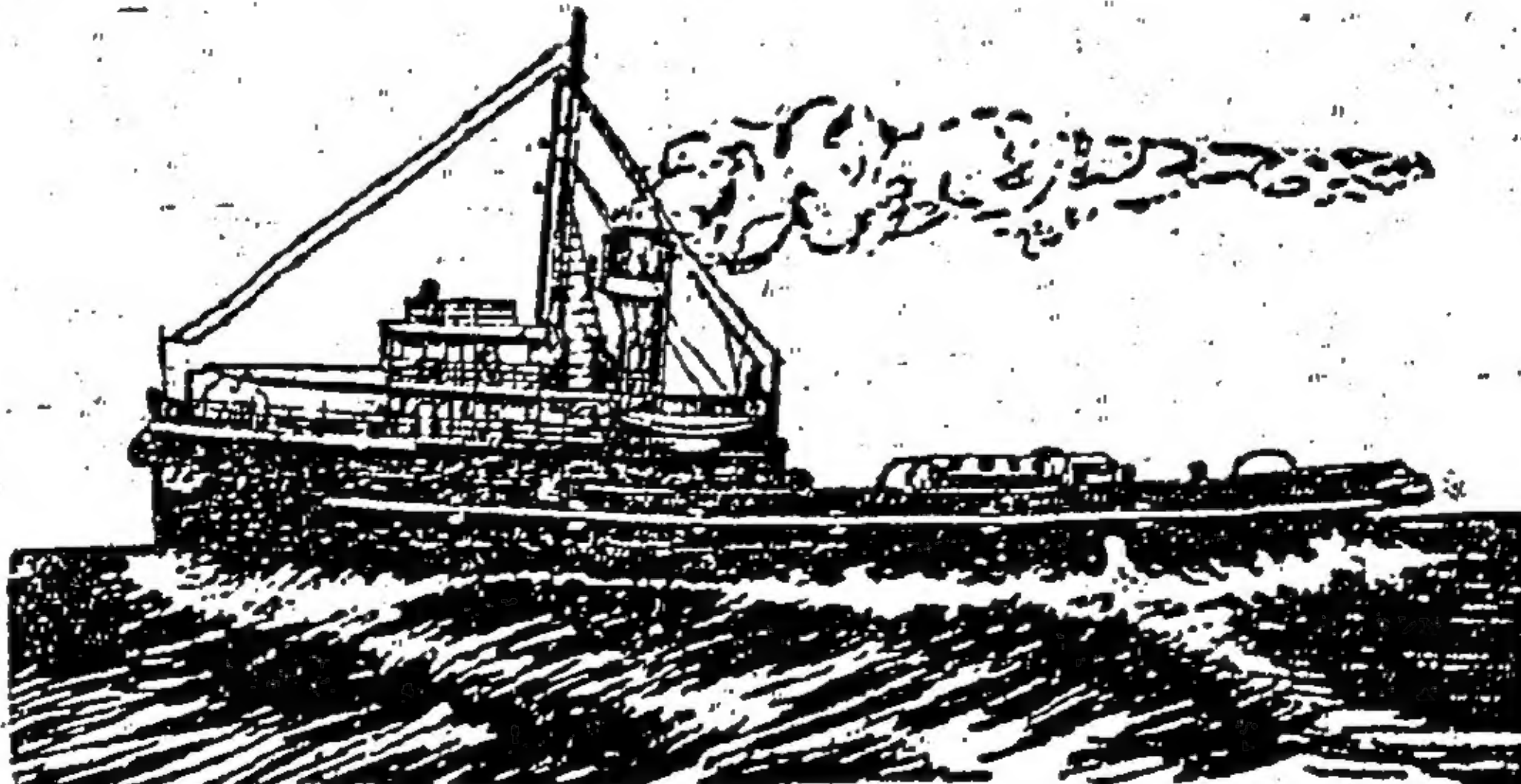
January 21st.
Annan Maru, for Takao.
Ceylon Maru, for Singapore.
Chung Hing, for Tournai.
City of Bradford, for Hoihow.
Empress of Asia, for Shanghai.
Fingal, for Haiphong.
Glenora, for Canton.
Halvard, for Saigon.
Indo Maru, for Moji.
Kaifu Maru, for Saigon.
Linehu, for Pakhoi.
Nevuchadnezzar, for Haiphong.
President Cleveland, for Manila.
Sinkiang, for Canton.
Sourabaya Maru, for Nagaya.
Scute, for Singapore.
Thalatta, for Shanghai.

January 22nd.
Anko, for Canton.
Juth Maru, for Canton.
Kachuan Maru, for Takao.
Suen Jiu, for Hoihow.
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TIENHSIN	"CHIPSING"	Mon., 30th Jan., at 5 p.m.
OSAKA via AMOI, MOJI & KOBE	"FOOKSANG"	Mon., 13th Feb., at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via AMOI, SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	"LAISANG"	Sun., 29th Jan., at 7 a.m.
CANTON	"KWONGSANG" "CHAKSANG"	Wed., 25th Jan., at 9 a.m. Thurs., 26th Jan., at 9 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"NAMSANG" "KUTSANG" "KUMSANG"	Fri., 3rd Feb., at 3 p.m. Sat., 4th Feb., at 3 p.m. Sun., 12th Feb., at 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN	"SUISANG" "HINSANG"	Thurs., 26th Jan., at Noon. Sat., 28th Jan., at 3 p.m.

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M.S. "Java" ...	23th January	23th February
M.S. "Australia" ...	15th February	23th March
M.S. "Asia" ...	21st February	1st April
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Shipping News Week-End Statement, Waterfront News, etc.

THE WEEK-END FREIGHTS. DAILY WATERFRONT NEWS.

VARIATION IN LOCAL CARGO.

BRITISH VESSELS MAKE FAIR RETURNS.

The week-end freight returns showed considerable variation in the amount of cargo, both for this port and other ports.

On Saturday, when there were five more arrivals recorded for the preceding twenty-four hours than there were yesterday, Hong Kong cargo was very low, while yesterday it was nearly doubled, with fewer vessels contributing. Through freights were up on Saturday, but yesterday showed a big drop. British vessels, on each day made a very fair showing.

Saturday's Return.

For the twenty-four hours ended at 9 a.m. on Saturday, there were 9,378 tons for Hong Kong, of which seven British vessels contributed 5,453 tons. The best British entry was 2,300 tons, and two other British steamers brought over 1,000 tons each. Other vessels contributed 3,863 tons of the total, with only one making a four-figure return.

Through freights came to 23,300 tons, with 5,046 tons in two British bottoms (3,061 tons and 4,983 tons). Four vessels under other flags carried 13,254 tons.

Two of these carried over 5,000 tons each, and one just over 4,000 tons.

Arrivals and Departures.

Arrivals and departures for the twenty-four hours ended at 9 a.m. on Saturday were:-

	Arr.	Dep.
British	7	3
German	0	1
Norwegian	1	3
Dutch	0	1
Japanese	4	5
Portuguese	0	1
Chinese	5	3
French	0	2
Totals	17	21

Yesterday's Return.

Hong Kong freights yesterday morning, totalled 16,789 tons, of which British ships contributed 7,416 tons. Through cargoes came to 13,416 tons, with 6,173 tons in British steamers.

The best entries for Hong Kong were 5,663 tons of oil in a British vessel, and 4,570 tons of coal and general in a Norwegian ship.

Best entries through were 6,393 tons of general in a British ship, and 5,213 tons of general carried by a Norwegian steamer.

Arrivals and Departures.

Arrivals and departures for the twenty-four hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were:-

	Arr.	Dep.
British	5	5
Norwegian	2	1
Japanese	3	2
Chinese	2	0
French	0	1
Totals	12	9

EMPTY HARBOUR: BUT MANY JUNKS.

[BY LONGSHOREMAN.]

Except for a few warships and auxiliaries, the *Empress of Asia* and one or two merchant vessels, the harbour bore a singularly empty appearance yesterday. With the Chinese New Year holidays, few Chinese vessels are running, and the wharves have many river steamers lying alongside. From Praya East to West Point and again at Yaumatei there are hundreds of junks, all lying in line, with bare masts towering skyward, and leaning in most cases, a new flag fluttering in the breeze. Most of the junks show the customary red joss papers, and firing of crackers will be as incessant on these craft to-day, as it will be on shore in all parts of the Colony.

Asiatic Deck Passengers.

The total number of Asiatic deck passengers entered for the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. on Saturday was 278, of which number the *s.s. Takada*, brought 687 from the Straits. Yesterday's return showed only 30 Asiatic deck passengers.

The West River.

It is notified that the white light at the Wangmum Entrance, West River, is reported to be out of order.

The River Service.

There will be no night boats to or from Canton until Thursday, and no night boat arriving here from Canton until Friday. This is in consequence of the Chinese New Year holidays. The *Tung On*, *Sai On*, *Kwongtung*, *Kwongwai*, *Yuet On*, *Charles Harcourt* and *Paul Beau* are laid up until Thursday.

The Hong Kong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company, Ltd., are maintaining a day service between here and Canton, but no night boats will run. There are no sailings from Canton at 4 p.m. (arriving here at night) to-day, tomorrow, Wednesday, or Thursday, the service resuming on Friday.

On the upward trip, the first boat to leave at night will be on Thursday, when the *Lungshan* goes up and returns here on Friday night.

To-day the *Kunshan* goes up at 8 a.m. and the *Taihsan* comes down in the afternoon. To-morrow the morning boat from here will be the *Lungshan*, and from Canton the *Kunshan*. On Wednesday the *Taihsan* goes up and the *Lungshan* comes down. On Thursday morning the *Kunshan* makes the trip to Canton, and the *Taihsan* comes down, while the *Lungshan*, as stated, leaves here that night at 12 p.m.

For Overhaul.

The *Empress of Canada* is due back from Manila to-morrow (Tuesday) and will berth at Buoy A32, prior to going into dock here for the usual annual overhaul and refit. She will resume her run to Vancouver on February 15th. The *Empress of Asia* is already out of dock and leaves for that port on Wednesday. The *Empress of Russia* has already been overhauled here and left for Vancouver some time ago.

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"KEYBER"	9,114	18th Feb.	Marseilles, L'don, Antwerp & Hull.
"NELLURE"	6,853	25th Feb.	Marseilles and London.
"KIDDERPORE"	5,334	29th Feb.	Straits & Bombay.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	3rd Mar.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"KALWA"	9,135	10th Mar.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"KASHMIR"	8,965	17th Mar.	Marseilles, L'don, Antwerp & Hull.
"KARMALA"	9,128	24th Mar.	Marseilles and London.
"KANTLA"	10,946	31st Mar.	do.
"KALYAN"	9,144	7th April	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"MONGOLIA"	16,504	14th April	Marseilles and London.
"MOREA"	10,953	21st April	do.
"KASHGAR"	9,008	28th April	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
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"TANDA"	6,858	2nd Mar.	do.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	30th Mar.	do.

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"KIDDERPORE"	5,334	2nd Feb.	Moji and Kobe.
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"MACEDONIA"	11,120	4th Feb.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"TANDA"	6,858	7th Feb.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
"KARMALA"	9,128	11th Feb.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"TALAMBA"	9,018	12th Feb.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
"KASHMIR"	8,965	18th Feb.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KALYAN"	9,144	24th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"TILAWA"	10,908	29th Feb.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
"MANTRA"	10,946	2nd Mar.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	6th Mar.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
"NAGPORE"	5,283	13th Mar.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"MONGOLIA"	16,504	17th Mar.	S'hai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"MOREA"	10,953	30th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Thana.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	3rd April	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
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"KASEGAR"	9,005	13th April	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"MALWA"	10,988	27th April	do.
"TANDA"	6,858	8th May	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
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"MACEDONIA"	11,120	25th May	do.
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INWARD MAILS.

FROM	PER	DATE
STRAITS	Atsuta Maru	23rd Jan.
U.S.A., CANADA, JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Pres. Lincoln	23rd Jan.
MANILA	Nanning	23rd Jan.
SHANGHAI & AMOY	Antenor	24th Jan.
SHANGHAI	Emp. of Canada	24th Jan.
SHANGHAI & EUROPE via SIBERIA	Van Heule	24th Jan.
JAPAN	Arifura	25th Jan.
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Tenyo Maru	27th Jan.
JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Haruna Maru	27th Jan.
EUROPE via NAGASAKI (letters only)	Lainang	27th Jan.
London 29th Dec., 1927		
JAPAN & SHANGHAI	Males	3rd Feb.

OUTWARD MAILS.

FOR	PER	DATE
Shanghai	Atsuta Maru	Tuesday, 24th, 9.00 a.m.
Swatow	Yatsing	9.00 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., U.S. & S. America & EUROPE via Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C., 13th February	Pres. Lincoln	Parcels 10.00 a.m. Letters 11.15 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., U.S. & S. America & EUROPE via Vancouver, B.C.—due Vancouver, B.C., 12th Feb., & Europe via Siberia	Empress of Asia	Wednesday, 25th, Parcels 9.00 a.m. Reg. 9.15 a.m. Letters 10.00 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 22nd Feb.	Antenor	Reg. 9.00 a.m. Letters 10.00 a.m.
Java via Batavia	Tjassara	Reg. 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.
Swatow	Sui Sang	1.30 p.m.
Swatow & Amoy	Van Heule	2.30 p.m.
Bangkok	Kaying	3.30 p.m.
Straits	Glenfith	3.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Del Maru	Thursday, 26th, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	2.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Lyons	5.00 p.m.
Manila, Sooliman, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 11th February	Arifura	Parcels 8.00 p.m. Reg. 5.00 p.m. Let. 27th, 8.20 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	Friday, 27th, 1.00 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 26th Feb.	Haruna Maru	Reg. 4.30 p.m. Let. 28th, 9.00 a.m. G.P.O. Reg. 28th, 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.
Hokow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Nanning	Saturday, 28th, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., U.S. & S. America, & EUROPE via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 22nd Feb., & Europe via Siberia	Tenyo Maru	Reg. 4.15 p.m. Letters 5.00 p.m.
Swatow	Fooking	5.00 p.m.
Amoy	Loi Sang	5.00 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	Tuesday, 31st, Noon

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